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A motorcyclist was the 23rd person to die on roads in Midland County this year.

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Council: Budget will mirror Midland's growth

Top tax rate determined; tax rate, budget hearings set

By Stewart Doreen
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The Midland City Council on Tuesday set a top tax rate that will be the focus of public hearings and community conversation for more than a month.

The rate is 40.83 cents per $100 valuation. It is lower than the 41.11 cent rate in the proposed budget because the appraisal district raised assessed valuations inside the city from $11.8 billion to $12.2 billion.

The rate is also the effective rate, plus 3 percent, which city officials said during the meeting is actually less than estimated population growth plus inflation (which is likely closer to 3.2 percent, officials said). The tax rate can still be lowered after the public provides input but cannot be raised.

Approving the top tax rate means the average Midland property owner will pay more this upcoming fiscal year. Last year, a person living in a home valued at $200,000 paid about $799 in city property taxes. That amount would increase to $816.

City officials said Tuesday this budget will help the 20,000-person population increase expected over the next five years. It also complements the tens of billions of dollars oil and gas companies are investing in Permian Basin operations. In the last five to seven years, EOG, Chevron, Oxy, Crownquest, Fasken, Pioneer and Concho are among the companies that have combined to spend hundreds of millions of dollars in new headquarters inside the city. It is expected Anadarko also will build a new regional home in Midland.

"We are putting together a budget that mirrors investment that these oil companies are making in our community," Councilman J.Ross Lacy said.

The city is proposing a balanced budget with $231.5 million in total expenditures.

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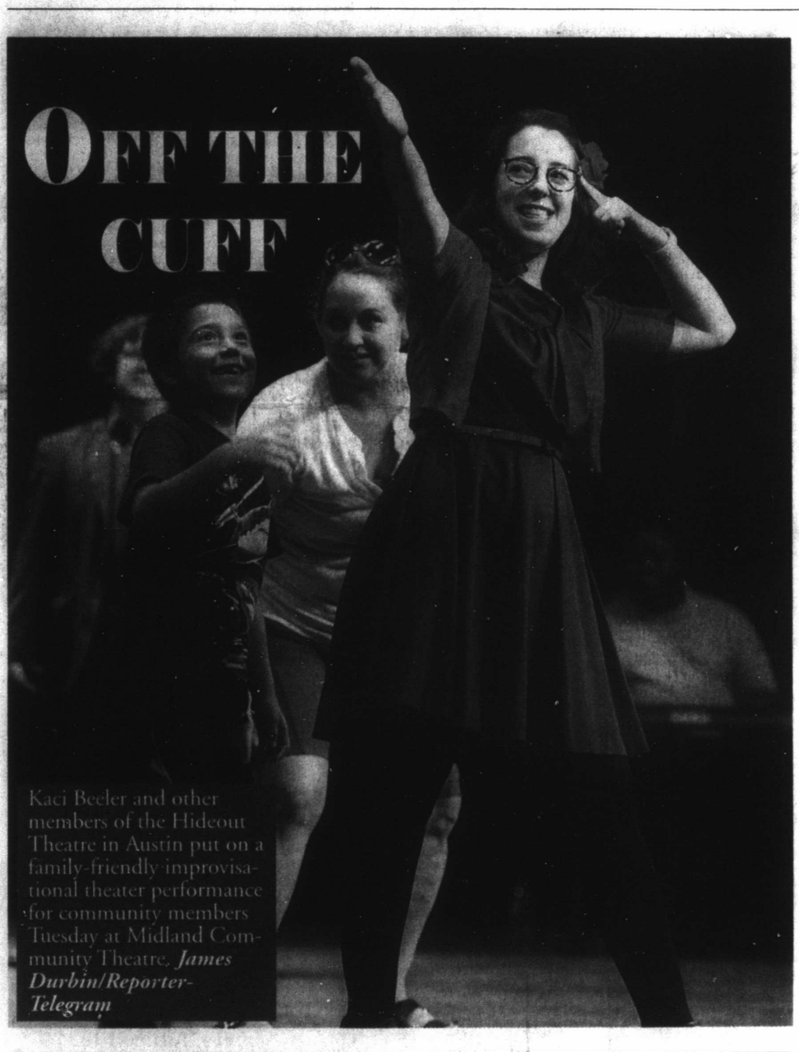

OFF THE CUFF

Kaci Beeler and other members of the Hideout Theatre in Austin put on a family-friendly improvisational theater performance for community members Tuesday at Midland Community Theatre. *James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram*

Pieces falling into place for Pecos Refinery

■ Land acquired crude distillation unit, project's first phase

By Mella McEwen
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Jack Hanks is putting puzzle pieces in place for what could be the nation's first new refinery in more than 40 years.

And when the puzzle is complete, Hanks expects to have in operation the 50,000-barrel-a-day Pecos Refinery, located 20 miles northeast of Fort Stockton in Pecos County, near the Sulfur Junction spur of the Texas Pacifico-South Orient Railroad.

"We just have to keep putting the pieces in place," Hanks, president and chief executive officer of MMEX Resources Corp. said in a phone interview. "It's all moving forward."

The latest piece in the puzzle was completing the company's acquisition of 126 acres to house the first phase of its project, a 10,000-barrel-a-day crude distillation unit. He saidfor this first phase, MMEX filed permit applications with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality on Monday, the same day it announced the property acquisition.

Hanks said he's very optimistic this initial permitting process will move quickly — perhaps as soon as 45 days — allowing the company to begin construction of the distillation unit in the final half of the year. Construction would take 12 to 18 months.

MMEX announced plans for the refinery this spring, and Hanks said it soon became apparent he needed to rethink the timeline.

"If the permits for the refinery were three years away, we asked ourselves what we could do right now," he said. "We wondered what we could do right now" to speed up the process, get the facility built and in operation and create jobs in Pecos County.

It was decided to build the $50 million distillation unit as the first phase while work continued on the design and permitting of the second phase — the refinery. Having the distillation unit "proves everything up, puts easement in place," Hanks said.

He described the distillation unit as the front end of the refinery.

"If you don't have all the back end — the hydrotreaters, the sulfur removers, it makes it a simpler refinery."

The unit will have three base products,

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Council wants road bond that's affordable, mayor says

■ Morales: Road bond is necessary to meet needs of growing community

By Stewart Doreen
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The Midland City Council will wait until Aug. 15 before making the final call on a November bond election, but the decision likely already has been made.

Council members on Tuesday seemed to react more favorably to J.Ross Lacy's smaller road bond proposal, and while there are two options available for public consumption, it appears a five-year, $100 million bond will be the option city leaders will choose for November.

Lacy provided details of the second option Tuesday during a brief council meeting. Option II takes the projects listed during the first five years of the $195 million proposal and adds a couple of smaller roads to reach the $100 million figure.

Streets on each proposal scored a rating of less than 50 on the pavement condition index, according to Lacy. (A score under 50 indicates roads are in "poor" condition.)

The plan would impact 26 different road projects across the city. The breakdown of costs are: roads, 60 percent; water and sewer, 24.4 percent; engineering, 5.2 percent and ADA compliance, 10.4 percent.

The owner of a property valued at $250,000 will see a $100-a-year increase in his or her city tax bill when all debt is issued. City leaders would use a 25-year-note to pay for the project. The Reporter-Telegram has not yet received an estimation on what the interest on a $100 million

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Price of oil
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The big number
3 people were killed after a sport utility vehicle rolled over south of San Antonio. Page 4A

Word of the Day: unremitting
Do you know what it means? Find out the definition on Page 3A.

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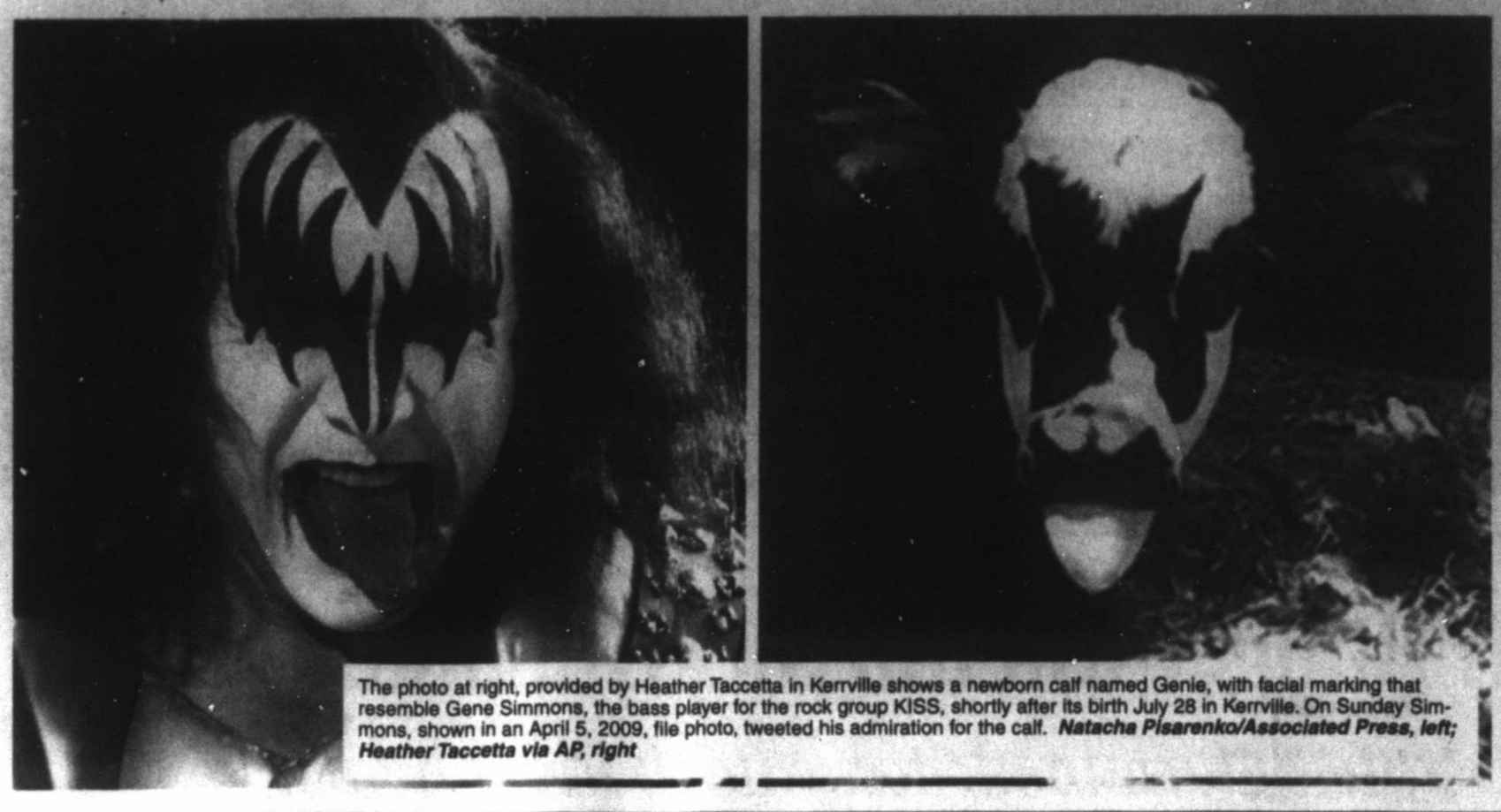
Calf born looking like KISS rocker Gene Simmons



The photo at right, provided by Heather Taccetta in Kerrville shows a newborn calf named Genie, with facial marking that resemble Gene Simmons, the bass player for the rock group KISS, shortly after its birth July 28 in Kerrville. On Sunday Simmons, shown in an April 5, 2009, file photo, tweeted his admiration for the calf. *Natacha Pisarenko/Associated Press, left; Heather Taccetta via AP, right*

Associated Press

KERRVILLE — KISS frontman Gene Simmons is udderly thrilled by a newborn calf born with strikingly similar black-and-white markings to the face paint he wears on stage.

Simmons tweeted his admiration for the calf on Sunday, saying, "This is real, folks!!!"

The calf was born Friday at a ranch near Kerrville, which is about 60 miles northwest of San Antonio.

Heather Taccetta (tuh-SET'-uh), who lives at the ranch with her family, said Tuesday that the calf belongs to her grandmother. It is named Genie, in honor of Simmons.

Taccetta says the calf and its mother are doing fine and that Genie is a family favorite and won't be sold for slaughter.

Motorcyclist dies in two-vehicle wreck in county

From staff reports

A 45-year-old motorcyclist died in a two-vehicle wreck that occurred the night of July 18 at the intersection of Business 20 and South County Road 1310 in Midland County, according to a press release from the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Lance Brandon Lovelace was driving a Harley-Davidson motorcycle eastbound on Business 20, while a Chevrolet Silverado 2500 was northbound on SCR 1310.

The pickup driver could not see the motorcycle because the other vehicle's headlight was not on, according to the release.

The pickup entered the intersection and was hit by the cycle.

Lovelace was transported to a local hospital, where he died.

Lovelace is the 23rd person to die on roads in Midland County this year and the third motorcyclist, according to Reporter-Telegram records.

A 48-year-old Mineral Wells man died May 13 in a wreck on Interstate 20 when his motorcycle was hit by a pickup and the collision forced the cycle into a truck tractor towing a semi-trailer, according to a previous Reporter-Telegram article.

A 27-year-old Midland man died June 6 when he failed to control his speed and hit a truck towing a semi-trailer on County Road 1140, according to a previous Reporter-Telegram article.

Pecos

From 1A

Hanks said.

The first is higher-sulfur diesel, which he said cannot be used as a transportation fuel. It will be mixed with fracturing fluids in hydraulic fracturing jobs because of its higher viscosity.

"(It) can be price-competitive, and we're certainly in the middle of a lot of activity," he said.

The second is naptha, a raw feedstock for gasoline that MMEX will sell to Gulf Coast refiners for use in their gasoline production. A similar use is made of the third product, atmospheric tower bottoms, which also will be sold to Gulf Coast refiners.

Hanks said he and other company leaders have made the rounds in New York and Houston seeking investors' interest. He expressed confidence that once the company has signed contracts to take the products produced by the distillation unit, and for crude supplies, they'll receive the funding.

"There's a lot of crude supply out there. We know that's not hard to secure. And we're talking to several off-takers with good balance sheets and takeaway infrastructure," he said.

"We have lots of nodding heads. With those elements in place, I'm sure we'll get the financing," Hanks said.

The company hired VFuels, a full-service design, engineering and fabrication firm, to work on the distillation unit. Hanks said VFuels has already done the front-end engineering design work. With the permit applications on their way to the TCEQ, "we'll be drilling into the actual design study, asking for quotes on materials," he said.

The company also hired KP Engineering to do the engineering, procurement and construction of phase II, which is the refinery, and Hanks said KP also has performed its initial FEED (front-end engineering design) study.

While MMEX has just announced the acquisition of 126 acres, Hanks said closing on an additional 350 acres for the second phase is expected no later than the end of January.

The combined 476 acres is more than enough for both phases, offering a buffer zone around the refinery and space for storage and expansion, he said.

Hanks said the goal is to install 150,000 to 200,000 barrels of storage as well as to expand the refinery.

"We'd like to get to 100,000 barrels a day," he said. "I still believe there's a great export market for oil out of West Texas to Mexico, and we need to develop that. It would be a great source, and the reason we located on the railroad is because it goes to Presidio.

"We think West Texas needs a new refinery. It's a good business, we like it and we think West Texas can utilize a new refinery," Hanks said.

Construction of the refinery is expected to create 400 jobs at peak construction ands a number of indirect jobs. Once the refinery is online, there will be 100 permanent jobs.

CRIME BRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Man arrested on child injury charge

Maxwell

A Midland man was arrested Sunday after allegedly exposing an infant to an infection, according to court documents.

Brandon Dupaul Maxwell, 18, was being held Tuesday on a $15,000 bond for a state jail felony charge of injury to a child — reckless bodily injury.

Midland police were dispatched to Midland Memorial Hospital on Saturday in reference to an infant who had an infection.

Maxwell exposed the infant to the infection while changing a diaper, according to his arrest affidavit.

If convicted of the state jail felony charge, Maxwell could face up to two years imprisonment.

Budget

From 1A

The general fund budget, which is supported by property taxes, sales taxes, franchise fees and other fees, is $111.8 million, an increase of $5.361 million compared to last year. Property taxes make up 41 percent of the general fund budget. Sales taxes make up 35 percent.

The budget highlights, as listed on the proposed budgets, include three new firefighters, two new brush trucks and a new ambulance for the fire department; replacement of 14 police vehicles; fire and police step raises; pay progression for non-public safety employees; a 3 percent cost-of-living raise for employees; money for facilities projects; and public safety dispatchers' consoles.

The largest increase in the budget went to the Engineering Department — a $1.7 million increase. The Midland Fire Department and Midland Police Department were second and third, respectively. Still, these two departments combine to make up 49 percent of the overall general fund expenditures, which is more than the revenue brought in by property taxes.

This budget also includes about $7.5 million for road maintenance and other major street treatments.

"Midland is growing in every direction; police and fire are important," Mayor Jerry Morales said. "This (budget) addresses those needs. We want to maintain them. The effective tax rate does not keep up with that growth."

There will be two public hearings on the tax rate and one on the budget. The final vote on the ordinance finalizing the budget and tax rate will take place in September. No one from the public attended Tuesday's meeting.

Expenditures

	Actuals 2015-16	Original Budget 2016-17	Projected Actuals 2016-17	Proposed Budget 2017-18
Legislative	$24,075	$38,079	$38,079	$42,287
City Manager's Officer	$1,432,086	$1,261,362	$1,260,269	$1,283,570
Municipal Court	$2,056,600	$1,977,046	$1,973,958	$2,109,916
Legal Department	$946,070	$978,286	$977,696	$1,037,067
City Secretary	$336,241	$342,886	$343,586	$359,601
Administrative Services	$1,195,987	$1,296,559	$1,253,935	$1,307,168
CISD	$6,871,295	$7,796,355	$7,772,447	$8,186,481
Finance	$2,116,459	$2,184,237	$2,161,827	$2,266,937
General Services	$1,714,751	$2,536,265	$2,504,683	$2,769,105
Development Services	$3,265,645	$3,561,219	$3,561,213	$3,718,564
Engineering	$10,342,547	$20,436,175	$17,293,702	$18,976,755
Community Services	$10,975,110	$10,438,200	$10,413,382	$10,692,827
Police	$26,197,671	$26,856,832	$26,833,261	$27,441,268
Fire	$25,939,575	$26,003,196	$25,908,549	$27,180,957
Non-Departmental	$4,583,837	$4,124,222	$4,118,473	$4,296,764
Interfund Transfers	$15,034,106	$59,089	$28,000	$30,135,000
Totals	$113,032,055	$109,889,807	$106,443,060	$141,804,267

Note: Interfund transfers includes $30 million moved from the General Fund to the Sports Complex Operation Fund.

Type of expenditure

Personnel	$66,505,385	$69,571,243	$69,589,233	$72,328,773
Commodities	$2,307,496	$2,197,093	$2,158,761	$2,329,247
Contractual	$23,965,722	$25,646,577	$24,937,836	$26,098,785
Maintenance of Structures	$1,798,365	$3,377,237	$2,652,799	$3,720,492
Maintenance of equipment	$589,200	$626,587	$593,360	$845,060
MISC/Interfund transfers	$15,717,904	$721,860	$689,450	$30,824,950
Capital	$158,800	$7,749,210	$5,841,621	$5,656,960
Totals	$113,042,871	$109,889,806	$106,443,060	$141,804,267

Note: Interfund transfers includes $30 million moved from the General Fund to the Sports Complex Operation Fund.

Schedule for tax rate and budget

Aug. 15 tax rate public hearing
Aug. 22 tax rate public hearing
Aug. 29 public hearing on the budget, first vote on the ordinance to pass a tax rate and budget
Sept. 12 Final vote on the ordinance to pass a tax rate and budget

Rate

From 1A

bond could be.

An election must be called by Aug. 22.

"We wanted to make sure we have a tax rate that is affordable for everyone but at the same time keep up with the needs of a growing community," said Mayor Jerry Morales in talking about the decision-making process between the two bond proposals.

Last week, Lacy presented the first proposal — an eight-year, $195 million plan. Roads not part of the second bond plan include stretches of Neely and Wadley avenues, Golf Course Road, Godfrey and Ward streets and Cotton Flat Road.

"This is phase 1," Lacy said. "Phase 2 will have to happen. We have to address this growing concern."

Lacy said if completing a smaller bond helps correct the perception that city government can't be trusted then he is up for the challenge. He said the facts of each plan are there to be scrutinized, and residents will be able to check off each of the 26 projects over five years as they are completed.

Council members said Tuesday this budget process also shows the commitment the city will be making to maintenance. The budget for the upcoming fiscal year calls for $7.5 million for road maintenance and other major street treatments. That is far cry from the $500,000 in the 2008 budget, according to Lacy, who said the city needs to increase that amount to $10 million in future years.

"We need to put together a grown-up budget when it comes to roads to address this," Lacy said. "Taxpayers need to see that government works for them."

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Ephesians 2:8-10
"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith and this is not from yourselves, it is a gift of God not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."

WORD OF THE DAY
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Unremitting
[uhn-ri-mit-ing]
adjective
1. not slackening or abating; incessant.

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Things to do

■ Youth Day Camps:Coyotes, Foxes and Bobcats Oh My: Predators in West Texas, 9 a.m.-noon Sibley Nature Center, 1307 E. Wadley Ave. These camps are are open to students entering grades K-3. Call 432-684-6827. $12 members, $15 for non-members. Sibleynaturescenter.org.

■ Hideout Theatre Improv Show, 10:30 a.m., Midland County Public Library downtown, 301 W. Missouri Ave.

■ TCM Big Screen Classics: "Fast Times at Ridgemont High" 35th Anniversary Event, 2 and 7 p.m., Tall City Stadium 14, 4915 SW Loop 250 N. $13.53. Fathomevents.com.

■ Meditation with Art with Lynn Alsup, 6 p.m., Kamiposi, 510 S. Big Spring St. $5.

■ Kundalini Yoga with Kasie Lunson, 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Kamiposi, 510 S. Big Spring St. $5.

■ Bridge game play, 6:45 p.m., Allison Bridge Center, 913 W. Wadley Ave. $6. For more information call 682-8595.

■ Trivia Game Night, 7 p.m., True Texas BBQ, 5407 Andrews Highway. Free.

Pools today

■ Doug Russell Aquatic Center, 900 Midland Drive, noon to 7 p.m.

■ Washington Aquatic Center, 1601 E. Indiana Ave., noon to 7 p.m.

The cost of entry at city of Midland pools is $3 per person, with free admission for children under 2.

Community calendar

■ Midland County Republican Women are to meet 11:30 a.m. Aug. 9 at Midland Country Club, 6101 N. State Highway 349.

The speaker will be retired Lt. Col. Jeffrey F. Addicott, a professor of Law and the director of the Center for Terrorism Law at St. Mary's University School of Law and a recognized authority on national security law, terrorism law and human rights law.

■ The Midland Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting will take place at 11:30 a.m. on Sept. 6 at the Horseshoe Pavilion.

Midland Health is presenting this year's annual meeting.

City boards

The Midland City Council soon will be making appointments to city boards and commissions for the new fiscal year.

Terms generally vary from two to four years; most terms begin on Oct. 1.

Applications can be downloaded from the city's website, www.midland-texas.gov by selecting "Boards and Commissions" under the Government tab. Applications also are available at the City Secretary's Office, Room 330, in City Hall located at 300 N. Loraine St., or by calling 685-7430.

A list of vacancies also is available at the city's website.

The deadline to submit applications is 5 p.m. Sept. 1. Council will begin making appointmennts later that month.

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

The new Chick-fil-A restaurant at the corner of Loop 250 and Highway 191 is opening 6 a.m. Thursday. In conjunction with the opening, up to 100 people can earn free Chick-fil-A meals. People who want to go on First 100 Road Trip can begin lining up at the restaurant at 6 a.m. today. Participants will be accepted until 9 a.m., or until 100 people have signed up — whichever comes first. A chartered bus will leave the restaurant at 10 a.m. today to take participants around Midland to engage in community service, after which they will receive gift cards loaded with 52 Chick-fil-A meals. The road trip also includes lunch and supper. For more information, go to Chick-fil-A.com and click on chicken wire ... news ... future openings.

This date in Texas

On Aug. 2, 1985, 137 people were killed when Delta Air Lines Flight 191, a Lockheed L-1011 Tristar, crashed while attempting to land at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport.

Source: Associated Press

Large item pickup

For residential customers, the city of Midland will pick up furniture and appliances at no additional charge. These items must be placed in the alley in the city right-of-way; the city will not go onto private property. Do not place your item next to the Dumpster; it needs to be behind your home, in the alley. These larger item collections must be scheduled with the Solid Waste Division. Please call 432-685-7278 to schedule this service.

Source: City of Midland

When it's open

Centennial branch
10 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday-Saturday
2503 W. Loop 250 N.
432-742-7400

Downtown branch
10 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday-Saturday
301 W. Missouri Ave.
432-688-4320

Midland Municipal Court
8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. (M, T, W, F)
8:30 a.m.-7 p.m. Thursday
201 E. Texas Ave.

Lottery

Pick 3 morning: 7-4-4
Pick 3 day: 7-2-5
Pick 3 evening: 2-7-6
Pick 3 night: 2-0-6
Daily 4 morning: 3-0-4-6
Daily 4 day: 7-4-4-0
Daily 4 evening: 9-2-1-8
Daily 4 night: 1-2-6-5
Cash Five: 6-19-22-28-37
Triple Chance: 6-13-14-15-18 27-32-47-48-50

Mega Millions: 20-22-52-57-73--BB: 7 PP: 5
All or Nothing morning: 2-3-4-5-6-9-10-15-16-19-21-24
All or Nothing day: 1-3-4-6-7-11-12-16-18-19-20-23
All or Nothing evening: 1-2-5-6-10-11-16-19-20-21-22-23
All or Nothing night: 1-4-7-9-10-11-12-13-14-20-21-23

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Weather

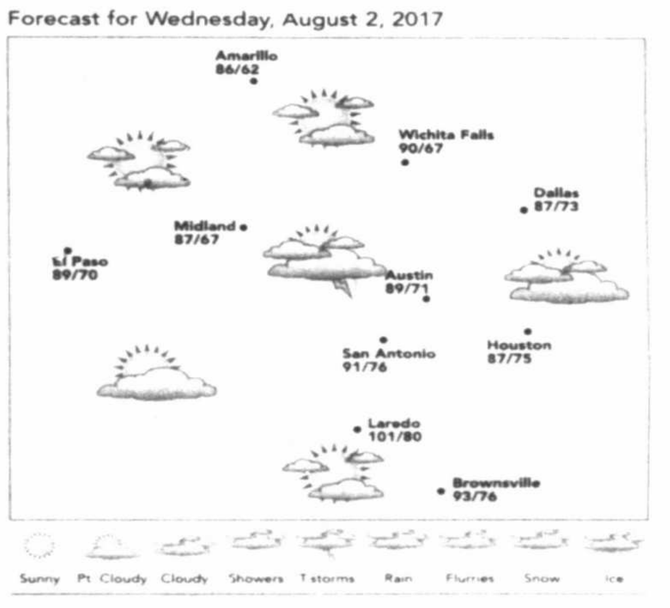
Tuesday's temperatures
High 82
Low 69
Normal high 95
Normal low 50

Aug. 1's records
Record high: 105 set in 1944
Record low: 56 set in 1936

Precipitation
Tuesday ..... Trace
Monday ..... 1.1 in.
Month total ..... 1.1 in.
Year total ..... 11.32 in.
Normal total (year to date) ..... 7.94 in.

Winds
Wind speed: 7.3 mph
Gust speed: 24 mph
Highest gust: 29 mph

Forecast for Wednesday, August 2, 2017



High: 87
Low: 69
Conditions: Mostly cloudy during the day/partly cloudy at night
Winds: 5-10 mph during the day and night
Chance of rain: 20 percent during the day
Sunrise ..... 7:05 a.m.
Sunset ..... 8:44 p.m.

Aug. 2 forecast

Source: National Weather Service

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The stars show the kind of day you'll have: 5-dynamic; 4-positive; 3-average; 2-so-so; 1-difficult

Note: Bigar's Stars is based on the degree of your sun at birth. The sign name is simply a label astrologers put on a set of degrees for convenience. For best results, readers should refer to the dates following each sign.

A baby born today has a Sun in Leo and a Moon in Sagittarius.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, Aug. 2, 2017:

This year you will be more creative and open-minded than you have been in the recent past. You might opt to change direction, which could affect your life in many ways. Your imagination is in the process of enriching your life. If you are single, many people would like to be your sweetie, but whom will you choose? You need to ask yourself what you want in a relationship. If you are attached, this year could be memorable for you as a couple. Romance sizzles, and together you can create whatever you desire. SAGITTARIUS is a hoot to be around.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★ You might be too spunky today for many people in your daily life. Spontaneous interactions occur around you. Check to see whether you and others are on the same page in order to avoid confusion. Your imagination could go a bit haywire. **Tonight:** How about some mind candy?

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Someone in your day-to-day environment has a lot of pep, and might be too blunt for your taste. On the other hand, there is no question about what his or her message is. Recognize that a loved one's frustration is quite grounded. **Tonight:** Work on your listening skills.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ You could be upset by the lack of direction you are receiving from a partner. You might be gung-ho about an idea, whereas he or she seems confused. Give this person the time and space to see the wisdom of your choices. Be more carefree. **Tonight:** Say "yes" to a friend's suggestion.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★ Pace yourself, and assess how much ground you have to cover. Understanding evolves to a new level, as long as you don't go overboard trying to make your point. You could experience a rebellion if you push too hard. **Tonight:** Demonstrate how easygoing you can be.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Your fiery side and fun personality emerge. You are ready to take a stand. Know that an associate might opt to challenge you. Your imagination intrigues a partner, and others seek you out. You could be overwhelmed by all the attention. **Tonight:** How about some mischief?

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Tension builds, which might slow you down as well as stress you out. A matter at home could make you feel out of sorts. You have a very inspiring person around you, so make time for a discussion. Finances could swing in either direction; use caution. **Tonight:** Relax at home.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Keep communication flowing. You might see a personal matter in a different light as a result of a recent discussion. Someone who is a part of your day-to-day life might add some confusion to the moment. You actually might enjoy the diversity. **Tonight:** Join a friend.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ You could be overwhelmed by a matter that has financial implications. You could see this issue differently from how many of those around you do. Know that your view counts more, as this issue is more likely to affect your funds than others'. **Tonight:** Follow your instincts.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ You could be overwhelmed by everything that is happening around you. You might not see a certain situation clearly, or perhaps you are confused by it. Work on understanding where others are coming from. As a result, you will know what to do. **Tonight:** All smiles.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★ Take your time and clarify what others are saying. Even after several conversations, you still might not be sure of where others are coming from. You'll make a strong impression on people, especially someone who is in a position of authority. **Tonight:** Not to be found.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Emphasize what is working for you. Others need to honor your bottom line. You might not be pleased by everything you hear; there could be a vagueness that makes you uncomfortable. Work on gaining greater clarity rather than settle for a semi-agreement. **Tonight:** With friends.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★ Stay on top of what is happening. Your creativity naturally emerges. You might know that you have a great idea, but convincing others could be a problem. A loved one remains highly responsive to you, and others look to you for leadership. **Tonight:** A must appearance.

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WACO

Texas officer pinned under SUV in deadly confrontation

Authorities in Waco say one person is dead and a police officer critically injured when an SUV struck and then pinned the policeman, requiring other officers to lift the vehicle to free him.

Waco police said in a statement that tactical officers were attempting to stop a suspect Tuesday in an effort to serve a search warrant when the suspect fled in the SUV.

Authorities say the driver intentionally struck the officer before being shot multiple times by members of the tactical team.

Both the officer and the suspect were taken to a hospital where the suspect died. The officer was listed in critical but stable condition following surgery.

A drug enforcement unit was involved in the shooting but it wasn't clear why the person in the SUV was being sought.

SAN ANTONIO

3 killed, 3 injured in single-vehicle crash in central region

A tire blowout is suspected of causing a sport utility vehicle to roll over on Interstate 37 just south of San Antonio, killing two adults and a child and injuring three other occupants critically.

The Bexar County Sheriff's Office says the crash happened about 12:30 p.m. Tuesday about 18 miles south of downtown San Antonio. Sheriff Javier Salazar said four adults and two children younger than age 3 were riding in the SUV, which displayed Mexican license plates.

The SUV was southbound on the interstate when it began to flip, ejecting at least two adults. Aside from the three killed outright, a man, a woman and a child were in critical condition at San Antonio Military Medical Center.

HOUSTON

Case dropped against Texas jailers over inmate in dirty cell

Charges have been dropped against two former Texas jail sergeants in connection with a mentally ill prisoner who was ignored for weeks in his filthy cell.

Ricky Pickens-Wilson and John Figaroa were indicted in 2015 on allegations that they manipulated cell check records related to the Harris County jail inmate. The two subsequently were fired.

Harris County prosecutors asked that the case be dropped after a two-year statute of limitations expired. A judge agreed to the request Monday.

The inmate, Terry Goodwin, had been arrested on a marijuana charge while on probation.

Figaroa's lawyer, Tommy Lafon, tells the Houston Chronicle he believes the two jailers were scapegoats. They initially were charged with a felony, but that was reduced to a misdemeanor because of problems with language in the indictment.

AUSTIN

Couple's $1M gift to governor follows national trend

A West Texas cattle rancher and his wife have donated $1 million to Gov. Greg Abbott, following a trend of seven-figure political donations across the U.S.

Mike and Mary Porter made the donation in June, the Houston Chronicle reported .

"We don't expect anything out of this... nothing in return," Mike Porter said. "We believe Governor Abbott has put forward a vision to keep Texas exceptional, and we wanted to do our part in supporting what he's doing. That's all there was to it."

Politicians are becoming accustomed to asking for and receiving million-dollar contributions, said Michael Malbin, executive director of the Washington-based Campaign Finance Institute.

"If more candidates are asking for these larger contributions, it becomes part of an atmosphere where there will be more," Malbin said.

The National Institute on Money in State Politics analyzed the 2016 election cycle's campaign finance records. It found there were nearly 50 contributions of $1 million in eight states. Illinois had the most with $32 million donated in multiple seven-figure chunks.

Texas is among more than 10 states that don't limit campaign donations from individuals.

Some political scientists and campaign consultants have said the U.S. Supreme Court's 2010 decision to allow donors to give candidates millions of dollars through super PACs may be contributing to the trend.

By 2015, nearly 80 donors gave $1 million or more to super PACs, which accounted for nearly a quarter of the money raised by presidential candidates, according to a review Malbin published.

"In the future, I would expect that we'll see more and more of these signature donations, seven figures on the checks where we used to see mostly six figures," said Mark Jones, a political scientist at Rice University in Houston.

DALLAS

Jury: Couple who defamed wedding photog must pay $1M

A Texas jury has awarded a wedding photographer more than $1 million after determining a newly married couple unhappy with her work launched a social media campaign to post falsehoods about her.

The Dallas County jury found Friday that the campaign against Andrea Polito amounted to defamation.

The jury unanimously found the couple acted of out malice in targeting Polito in the months after their October 2014 wedding.

Polito said in her lawsuit that the couple repeatedly asked that their high-resolution wedding photos be forwarded to them but the contract stipulated that they first submit an order form for their wedding album. The cover photo for the album can cost in excess of $125 and the work assembling the album can take months. The album needed to be finalized before the photos were released to the couple, Andrew and Neely Moldovan.

Polito said when she became aware the couple was agitated at not having received the photos, she offered to waive the cost of the album's cover photo.

At one point, the Moldovans conducted an interview with a Dallas news station and then publicized the story on social media and other platforms. Among their assertions were that Polito was "holding their pictures hostage" and that she "blatantly stole money while holding pictures ransom and then adding on extra fees," according to the lawsuit. They also alleged that colleagues of Polito were harassing them for taking their complaints public and she was "nickel and diming" them.

The lawsuit contends the ensuing negative publicity "destroyed" Polito's business. Her attorney, David Wishnew, said Tuesday that Polito over the course of 12 years grew Andrea Polito Photography into one of the more successful wedding photography businesses in the Dallas area, at one point shooting up to 100 weddings a year. But the negative publicity effectively "burned her business to the ground."

"Nobody is challenging your right to post a review or your free speech rights but with those rights come consequences," Wishnew said. "And in our case we had malicious intent."

A phone message left for the Moldovans' attorneys was not immediately returned Tuesday. It's not clear if they intend to appeal the jury's decision.

SAN ANTONIO

Texas municipal utility OKs CEO's pay in excess of $700K

Board members for San Antonio's city-owned electric utility have awarded its CEO a bonus in excess of a quarter-million dollars that pushes her compensation package above $700,000.

The board for CPS Energy on Monday gave CEO Paula Gold-Williams a $290,000 bonus for her work when she was the interim chief executive. The bonus was on top of her base pay of $445,000.

The San Antonio Express-News reports that the bonus and a 10.5 percent increase in salary were based on performance metrics she met last year.

Gold-Williams was named to the interim position in February 2016 and later was chosen as the permanent CEO. She was previously the utility's chief financial officer.

CPS Energy is the country's largest municipally owned utility and provides electricity and natural gas to more than a million people.

Russell Contreras/Associated Press

Gary Mike, front, father of 11-year-old Ashlynne Mike, speaks outside of federal court Tuesday in Albuquerque, N.M. after the man charged with her murder and sexual assault pleaded guilty. The death of Ashlynne Mike on the largest American Indian reservation prompted calls to expand the Amber Alert system and the death penalty to tribal communities across the U.S.

Suspect in killing of Navajo girl pleads guilty to murder

By Russell Contreras
Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — A man charged with murder, sexual assault and other counts in the death of an 11-year-old girl on the largest American Indian reservation changed his pleas to guilty Tuesday in a case that prompted calls to expand the Amber Alert system and the death penalty to tribal communities across the U.S.

More than a year after Ashlynne Mike was killed in Navajo Nation, Tom Begaye entered his new pleas at a hearing in U.S. District Court in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as family members of Mike cried.

Her father, Gary Mike, said after the hearing that the guilty pleas were a turning point for the family that has struggled since the killing.

"We all know that this person is guilty," he said. "He finally admitted it today."

Asked if he had a message for Begaye, Mike paused, tried to hold back tears and said, "I can't now."

New Mexico Gov. Susana Martinez said in a statement that she hoped the guilty plea brought some peace to the family.

"But sadly, nothing will ever undo what was done," the Republican governor and former prosecutor said. "It's critical that we continue to do more to protect our children."

Among the charges against Begaye were aggravated sexual assault resulting in death and kidnapping resulting in death.

Prosecutors say Begaye lured the girl into his van in May 2016 and sexually assaulted her. She was reported missing, but an Amber Alert didn't go out in the state until the next day.

She was later found dead near the Arizona-New Mexico border. The Navajo Nation covers parts of those two states and Utah.

The death led to pending federal legislation that would expand the Amber Alert system to tribal communities and calls for Navajo Nation to end its opposition to the death penalty.

Republican Sen. John McCain of Arizona introduced legislation in April that would expand the notification system. He said more than 7,700 American Indian children are listed as missing in the U.S.

Authorities say Begaye lured Mike and her brother into his van. The boy later told police the man took them deep into the desert then walked off with the girl and a tire iron before returning alone.

Begaye told investigators he sexually assaulted the girl and hit her twice in the head with a crowbar, and that she was still moving when he left her in the desert, according to court documents.

Her brother was able to escape.

Begaye is from the small town of Waterflow near Lower Fruitland, where Mike lived with her father and siblings, according to the FBI. The town is near the reservation.

Navajo Nation, like many Native American tribes, outlaws the death penalty. Federal prosecutors are responsible for prosecuting homicides on tribal lands and rarely challenge tribal beliefs.

Gary Mike said changing the tribal rule on the death penalty would be a decision for tribal elders.

After his daughter's death, Gary Mike filed a lawsuit against Navajo Nation for failing to have an emergency notification system that he says could have saved his daughter's life.

An Amber Alert system for the 27,000-square-mile (69,930-square-kilometer) reservation was proposed years ago but never implemented, despite the tribe having been awarded $330,000 in federal funding as part of a U.S. Justice Department pilot project.

Half the money was used to buy equipment such as megaphones and pop-up tents, but the rest went unspent.

"We know the pain will be life-long for Ashlynne's parents and immediate family," Navajo Nation President Russell Begaye said Tuesday. "The Navajo Nation is taking every step necessary to strengthen our laws and emergency response communication system."

Russell Begaye is not related to the defendant.

In another case involving violence on the reservation, an Arizona woman who put her 17-month-old daughter in a stroller, pushed her into the desert and left her to die on the Navajo Nation was sentenced Monday to 20 years in prison.

U.S. District Judge David Campbell said Ashley Denise Attson, 23, committed an "intentional, cold-hearted, horrendous killing of an innocent child."

Attson had pleaded guilty to second-degree murder in the September 2016 killing. Her defense attorney, Ashley Adams, did not immediately return a call for comment.

Joe Arpaio's legacy lingers despite his conviction

By Jacques Billeaud and Astrid Galvan
Associated Press

AP file photo

Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio, left, orders about 200 convicted illegal immigrants handcuffed together Feb. 4, 2009, in Tent City in Phoenix for incarceration until their sentences are served and they are deported to their home countries.

PHOENIX — The criminal conviction of former Sheriff Joe Arpaio marks the ultimate repudiation of his tactics, but the fallout over his legacy is still being felt across Phoenix.

The taxpayer cost from a racial profiling case that led to his conviction is expected to reach $92 million by next summer. People who were illegally detained when Arpaio violated a court order in the profiling case will still need to be compensated. And Latinos say his legacy lives on in the form of fear.

U.S. District Judge Susan Bolton found Arpaio guilty of misdemeanor contempt of court Monday for intentionally defying a 2011 court order to stop traffic patrols that targeted immigrants.

Arpaio was accused of prolonging the patrols for nearly a year and a half so he could promote his immigration enforcement efforts in a bid to boost his 2012 re-election campaign.

County Supervisor Steve Gallardo, a longtime Arpaio critic, predicted that it will take years for the sheriff's office to rebuild its trust with the Latino community.

"When you have a sheriff for 24 years who did everything to build divisions between the community and the sheriff's office, it will take a lot of time and money to rebuild those relationships," Gallardo said.

The verdict marked a final rebuke for a politician who once drew strong support from immigration crackdowns but was booted from office last year as voters got frustrated with his headline-grabbing tactics, such as jailing inmates in tents during triple-degree summer heat and making them wear pink underwear.

The 85-year-old retired lawman is set to be sentenced Oct. 5 and could face up to six months in jail. But attorneys who have followed the case doubt someone his age would be incarcerated.

His criminal conviction wasn't enough to erase the trauma that Noemi Romero said she suffered when she was arrested by Arpaio's officers on accusations of forgery and identity theft during a 2013 raid on a Phoenix supermarket. She used her mother's identity to land a job as a cashier.

She spent two months in jail before she pleaded guilty to a lesser charge and was sentenced to time served.

Romero, who was brought to the U.S. illegally by her parents when she was 3, could not take part in a government program that would protect her from deportation because of her felony conviction.

But Arpaio being found guilty of a crime doesn't necessarily mean justice was served, Romero said.

"To me, all the harm that he caused, not just to me but to many families, the separation of families, that's something that's never going to be repaired whether he gets jail time or not. That's something that you're never getting back," Romero said. "All the trauma that he's caused, you know, they can't take that away."

Stocks are at records, but it's no longer the 'Trump trade'

By Stan Choe and Marley Jay
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The stock market has never been higher, and President Donald Trump would like more people to pay attention.

"Stock Market could hit all-time high (again) 22,000 today," Trump tweeted Tuesday about the Dow Jones industrial average, before it ended the day at a record 21,963.92. "Was 18,000 only 6 months ago on Election Day. Mainstream media seldom mentions!"

The 18,000 figure he cited was inaccurate: The Dow closed at 19,890.94 six months ago. It was at 18,332.74 on Election Day, which was nearly nine months ago. And analysts say it would be inaccurate to give Trump full credit for the market's recent records.

"Trump obviously is taking credit for a lot of this, as almost any president would do, but the things that affect the market right now aren't things that have been put in place over the last six months," said Randy Frederick, vice president of trading and derivatives at the Schwab Center for Financial Research.

Stocks did surge after Trump's electoral win in November following a couple of hours of confusion among investors caught off-guard by the voting results. The hope was that Trump and a Republican-controlled Congress would cut regulations, revamp the tax system, launch a big program for infrastructure and enact other pro-business policies.

Areas of the market that would benefit most from such policies soared much more than the rest of the market, and the effect was so strong that traders called it the "Trump trade."

Smaller companies, for example, were supposed to be big winners if U.S. tax rates dropped because they tend to do more of their business domestically, and they do not have the armies of accountants that big multinational corporations use to lower their tax bills.

As a result, the Russell 2000 index of smaller stocks surged 16 percent in the month after the election. The index includes such companies as Pier 1 Imports and Big Lots. Its gain was more than triple the 5 percent rise for the biggest stocks in the Standard & Poor's 500 index.

In recent months, though, Washington has had several high-profile stumbles, highlighted by the Senate's latest failed attempt to repeal the Affordable Care Act. That inaction has investors pushing back their expectations for when a tax plan and other policy changes could happen, and some are questioning how big those changes can be given Republicans' struggles. So the Trump trade has not only faded but reversed course, with the initial leaders and laggards flipping places.

So far this year, the small-cap Russell 2000 has had less than half the gain of the S&P 500 index, at 5 percent versus 11 percent. Producers of raw materials, which were early winners on expectations that they would benefit from a big infrastructure program, are no longer leading the market. The effect goes beyond stocks: Big rallies for yields on Treasury bonds and the dollar's value against other currencies have also faded.

So what's keeping stocks at record heights? A return to strong profit growth for U.S. companies is one of the biggest reasons, analysts say. And some of the strongest growth is coming from companies that do business all over the world. Those businesses also happen to be the ones initially thought to be the biggest losers of Trump's "America-first" policy goals.

Tech stocks in the S&P 500 get more than half their sales from outside the country, for example, and they are benefiting as economies in Europe and across the developing world finally start to climb higher. The tech sector has jumped 22 percent this year to lead the market.

Lawsuit: Fox coordinated with White House on false story

By David Bauder and Jill Colvin
Associated Press

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News headlines scroll above the Fox News studios in the News Corporation headquarters building Tuesday in New York. Fox contributor Rod Wheeler, who worked on the Seth Rich case, claims Fox News fabricated quotes implicating the murdered Democratic National Committee staffer in the WikiLeaks scandal and that President Donald Trump pressured Fox to publish the story. He sued Fox for defamation on Tuesday.

NEW YORK — A lawsuit filed Tuesday lays out an explosive tale of Trump allies, the White House and Fox News Channel conspiring to push a false story about Democratic leaks and an unsolved killing in order to distract attention from the Russia investigation that has been swirling around the president.

The lawsuit was filed against Fox by an investigator who had been looking into the killing of Seth Rich, a former Democratic National Committee staff member killed in 2016 in what police say was a botched robbery. The investigator alleges that Fox quoted him as saying things he never said and was willing to show President Donald Trump its story before it was posted online.

It's the second time in two days that Trump has been accused of being actively involved in pushing a public narrative to lower the heat of the Russia story. The Washington Post reported that the president had written a misleading statement for his son to give to The New York Times about Donald Trump Jr.'s meeting last summer with a Russian who promised dirt on Democrat Hillary Clinton's presidential campaign.

Rich's death has become fodder for conspiracy theorists, deeply angering the 27-year-old's family. In May, the story was thrust into the headlines again when Fox posted a story on its website in which investigator Rod Wheeler said there had been contact between Rich and WikiLeaks, the organization that posted a trove of DNC emails last year. The story was heavily promoted by Fox News host Sean Hannity, who has informally advised the president.

In the lawsuit, Wheeler now says that he never made that statement. He also contends he was told his false comments were put in the story because Trump wanted it that way. Fox says it's "completely erroneous" to suggest it pushed the story to distract from the Russia investigation.

Wheeler has made contradictory statements regarding the case and is simultaneously filing a racial discrimination lawsuit against the network, represented by a lawyer who has other lawsuits against Fox.

White House press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders said Trump had no knowledge of the false story before it was posted and that it was "completely untrue" that the White House had any role in shaping it.

Wheeler, a Fox contributor on law enforcement issues, said he was brought into the Rich case by donor and Trump supporter Ed Butowsky. He says Butowsky, who has also made occasional guest appearances on Fox News, was intent on establishing a link between Rich and WikiLeaks.

Two days before the Fox article was published, Wheeler said he got a text message from Butowsky: "Not to add any more pressure but the president just read the article. He wants the article out immediately. It's now all up to you. But don't feel the pressure."

Butowsky said in a phone interview Tuesday he has never met Trump and his text message to Wheeler about the president reading the article was "tongue-in-cheek."

Fox removed the story from its website a week after it was published, saying "it was not initially subjected to the high degree of editorial scrutiny we require for all of our reporting." Hannity ultimately backed away, saying he was acting out of respect for Rich's family.

Wheeler also said he and Butowsky had met with outgoing White House press secretary Sean Spicer and showed Spicer notes on Wheeler's investigation. Spicer asked to be kept informed, the lawsuit said.

Spicer plays down the importance of that meeting.

"Ed is a longtime supporter of the president's agenda who often appears in the media," Spicer said Tuesday. "He asked for a 10-minute meeting, with no specified topic, to catch up and said he would be bringing along a contributor to Fox News. As Ed himself has noted, he has never met the president and the White House had nothing to do with his story."

On the day the Fox story was posted, Spicer was asked about the report Rich had emailed WikiLeaks. He said, "I'm not aware of that" and did not mention that he had met with Butowsky and Wheeler a month earlier.

One of Trump's attorneys, Jay Sekulow, also devoted attention to the Rich story during several Hannity appearances in May, before his hiring by Trump was announced.

"There's a lot more to this, I would suspect," Sekulow said on the May 18 show, which Hannity devoted almost entirely to a discussion about Rich. "You can't ignore the fact that it was a DNC staffer. You can't ignore the fact that there was nothing taken from the individual's body."

He said that while he hadn't seen "the files" on Rich, the incident "undercuts" the argument that Russians interfered in the election.

At the time, Trump was facing news stories about the investigations into Russian meddling in the 2016 campaign and possible ties between his campaign aides and Moscow.

He continues to blast the inquiries as a "witch hunt" aimed at discrediting his election win and tries to focus attention on Clinton, who has largely faded from the headlines.

Jay Wallace, Fox News president, says, "The accusation that FoxNews.com published Malia Zimmerman's story to help detract from coverage of the Russia collusion issue is completely erroneous." Malia Zimmerman was a Fox producer on the story.

"The retraction of this story is still being investigated internally and we have no evidence that Rod Wheeler was misquoted by Zimmerman," Wallace said.

In May, Wheeler told Fox's local affiliate in Washington that he "absolutely" had sources at the FBI saying that there was information that could link Rich to WikiLeaks. But the station noted that Wheeler subsequently said contradictory things to other news organizations, and the station could not contact him again.

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Revolutionary socialism devours Venezuela

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Venezuela is a woeful reminder that no country is so rich that it can't be driven into the ground by revolutionary socialism.

People are now literally starving — about three-quarters of the population lost weight last year — in what once was the fourth-richest country in the world on a per capita basis. A country that has more oil reserves than Saudi Arabia is suffering shortages of basic supplies. Venezuela now totters on the brink of bankruptcy and civil war, in the national catastrophe known as the Bolivarian Revolution.

The phrase is the coinage of the late Venezuelan strongman Hugo Chavez, succeeded by the current Venezuelan strongman Nicolas Maduro. The Western Hemisphere's answer to Recep Tayyip Erdogan of Turkey, Maduro has instituted an ongoing self-coup to make his country a one-party state.

The Chavezistas have worked from the typical communist playbook of romanticizing the masses while immiserating them. Runaway spending, price controls, nationalization of companies, corruption and the end of the rule of law — it's been a master class in how to destroy an economy.

The result is a sharp, yearslong recession, runaway inflation and unsustainable debt. The suffering of ordinary people is staggering, while the thieves and killers who are Chavezista officials have made off with hundreds of billions of dollars. At this rate — The Economist calls the country's economic decline "the steepest in modern Latin American history" — there will be nothing left to steal.

Any government in a democratic country that failed this spectacularly would have been relegated to the dustbin of history long ago. Maduro is getting around this problem by ending Venezuela's democracy. The Chavezistas slipped up a year or two by allowing real elections for the country's National Assembly, which were swept by the opposition. They then undertook a war against the assembly, stripping it of its powers and culminating in a rigged vote this week to elect a constituent assembly to rewrite the constitution.

The goal of Maduro's alleged constitutional reforms is to no longer have a constitution worthy of the name. All you need to know about the spirit of this exercise is Maduro's threat to jail the opposition leaders who boycotted the vote (outside observers estimate less than 20 percent of the electorate participated, despite the regime's absurd claim of a popular wave of support).

Denied the ordinary means of dissent via the press and elections, the opposition has taken to the streets. Already more than 100 people have been killed in clashes over the past several months. Worse is yet to come. Lacking legitimacy and representing only a fraction of the populace, the Maduro regime will rely on the final backstop of violent suppression. It is now the worst crisis in a major country in the Western Hemisphere since the heights of the Colombian civil war in the 1990s and 2000s.

There is no easy remedy to Venezuela's agony. If meditation were the solution, the country never would have gotten to this pass. Endless negotiations between the government and the opposition have gone nowhere — the organized crime syndicate that has seized power under the banner of revolution knows it has no option but to retain its hold on power by any means necessary. The U.S. needs to use every economic and diplomatic lever to undermine the regime and build an international coalition against it.

We should impose more sanctions on specific officials and on the state-run oil company; we should advertise what we know about the details of how Chavezistas park their ill-gotten gains abroad; we should nudge our allies to further isolate the Venezuelan government by pulling ambassadors and breaking diplomatic relations. The hope is that with enough pressure, the regime will crack, and high-level officials will break with Maduro, weakening his position and making a negotiated restoration of democratic rule possible.

In the meantime, the Bolivarian Revolution is proceeding according to its sick logic — and there will be blood.

OPINION EXTRA

Poll shows Republican support for censoring 'biased' news

A recent YouGov poll reached a disheartening finding: 45 percent of Republicans favor "permitting the courts to shut down news media outlets for publishing or broadcasting stories that are biased or inaccurate," while just 20 percent oppose the idea. And 35 percent say they have not formed an opinion.

Here's the kicker: 35 percent of Republicans surveyed say shutting down news outlets for biased or inaccurate reporting would not violate the First Amendment. Notice the 10-point deficit between Republicans who say shutting down news outlets is constitutional and those who favor allowing such closures. The poll suggests that 1 in 10 Republicans thinks shutting down biased or inaccurate news outlets would be unconstitutional — or at minimum, is unsure whether it would pass legal muster — yet supports doing it, anyway.

Such is the power of President Donald Trump's "fake news" battle cry — or so it seems. Beside the fact that this is just one poll, there are reasons to question whether the GOP appetite to censor the news is as strong as it appears and whether Trump is actually the driving force.

The YouGov poll lumps biased and inaccurate reports together when, in fact, there is a significant difference. Bias, however flagrant, is protected by the First Amendment; inaccuracy can carry legal risks, however.

While news outlets cannot be found guilty of libel for honest mistakes made in the course of good-faith reporting, they can lose lawsuits for negligently defaming private citizens or knowingly publishing false information about public figures.

And while courts cannot explicitly order news outlets to close because of biased or inaccurate reporting, closures can result from court-ordered penalties. Last year, for example, Gawker folded after being forced into bankruptcy by a $140 million judgment in a lawsuit filed by Hulk Hogan. The suit alleged invasion of privacy, not libel, but the point stands: Courts can effectively put news outlets out of business.

The Federal Trade Commission also has shut down websites that masquerade as news sources while publishing false claims about consumer products. Under strict circumstances, it is legal for the government to crack down on fake news, though not the kind Trump usually rails against.

It is not an extreme view to favor Gawker-style justice in select cases or to support the government's power to shutter sites that fabricate information and present it as news in an effort to cheat consumers. Based on the YouGov survey, it is impossible to distinguish between Republicans who hold these views and those who actually support empowering courts to squash outlets that display a liberal slant. The latter would be a truly alarming sentiment, but we just don't know how pervasive it is.

Is Trump to blame for Republicans' desire to punish the media? Perhaps not entirely.

The Post's indispensable polling manager, Scott Clement, and polling analyst, Emily Guskin, dug up a 1985 survey by the Los Angeles Times that posed the following question: "Generally speaking, do you favor or oppose permitting the courts to fine the news media for publishing or broadcasting stories that are biased or inaccurate — or haven't you heard enough about that yet to say?"

At the time, 56 percent of Republicans were in favor, and 22 percent were opposed. When YouGov asked a nearly identical question last week, 55 percent of Republicans were in favor, and 12 percent were opposed. Results 32 years apart are strikingly similar.

Differences emerge among Democrats and independents, who favored fines in 1985 at rates of 51 percent and 59 percent, respectively. In the YouGov survey, Democrats' support for fines registered at just 23 percent and independents' at 30 percent.

Maybe the real Trump effect has been making non-Republicans less comfortable with government attempts to dictate what the media can and can't publish.

— Callum Borchers, Washington Post

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No chaos means no more 'Mooch'

■ Anthony Scaramucci takes a fall of biblical proportions

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"Dance like no one is watching. Sing like no one is listening. Love like you've never been hurt and live like its (sic) heaven on earth."

— Mark Twain, as told to Anthony Scaramucci

It was a fall of biblical proportions. Huge! Like, bigger than Jericho falling to Joshua.

"I said we were brothers," Scaramucci, the newly named White House communications director, said last week of his rivalry with Reince Priebus, the White House chief of staff. "That's because we're rough on each other. Some brothers are like Cain and Abel."

Scaramucci's retelling of Genesis had a twist: It was a murder-suicide. Priebus's Abel was indeed slain by Scaramucci's Cain; the chief was ousted Friday. But Cain met the same fate Monday afternoon; his buffoonery, self-aggrandizement and foul mouth caused him to be sacked after just 10 days on the job. He wasn't officially supposed to start until Aug. 15, so his tenure, technically, was minus 16 days.

Much too soon, The Mooch is gone. As the Good Book says: What the &@%$#? Those &@%$# can go &@%$# themselves with a &@%$#.

Never was a man more devoted to a cause than the Mooch was to the Donald. He sold his business. He gave up his political beliefs. He apparently gave up his wife. He definitely surrendered his reputation and his dignity. All for President Trump, who thanked him by saying, "You're fired." Only hours after tweeting to the world: "No WH chaos!"

The Mooch's tenure was such a whirlwind that it's tempting to describe them as Ten Days That Changed the World. But the Mooch didn't really change anything. He just made everything wildly entertaining.

As word leaked on July 21 that Scaramucci had been given the communications job, press secretary Sean Spicer quit. Scaramucci immediately gave a televised news conference, blowing a kiss to the cameras and planting many kisses on the "wonderful human being" who is Trump.

So devoted was the Mooch to his patron that he tried, with all the subtlety of the Soviets, to airbrush his previous criticism of Trump — whom he'd called a "hack" and a "bully" — and Trump's beliefs. "Full transparency," the Mooch tweeted. "I'm deleting old tweets." And so, in the name of transparency, he tried to erase a past in which he thought well of Hillary Clinton, Jeb Bush, gun control, abortion rights, Islam and climate-change science.

But the Mooch let stand one of his best tweets: his false claim that Mark Twain had uttered the "dance like no one is watching" quotation, which actually had its origins in 1980s pop music. The parodies poured in:

Na na na na na na nana Na na na na nana Gettin jiggy wit it — Nelson Mandela.

Love. Love will keep us together. Think of me, babe, whenever. — Jesus Christ.

Nothing's gonna stop us, nothing's gonna stop us now. — Ernest Hemingway.

Then there were the photos: The Mooch giving a thumb's up on Air Force One (en route to Youngstown, Ohio, where Trump would muse about his place on Mount Rushmore), and the Mooch with thumbs in his belt loops, facing off against Priebus in the Oval Office.

Wednesday night brought a tweet suggesting that Priebus was responsible for "the leak of my financial info which is a felony." Turns out the financial information was public record.

Thursday, the New Yorker's Ryan Lizza reported on a phone call in which Scaramucci said top Trump strategist Stephen Bannon was trying to "[expletive] his own [expletive]," that Priebus was a [expletive] paranoid schizophrenic" who was trying to "[expletive]-block" rivals. He said he wanted to [expletive] kill all the leakers, who, he said, are "going to have to go [expletive] themselves."

On Friday, the New York Post reported that Scaramucci's second wife, in late-stage pregnancy, had filed for a divorce in early July. The report suggested her husband's involvement with Trump had something to do with it. She gave birth to a boy on Monday, but it took Scaramucci four days to meet his son.

Can the Mooch pick himself up after this fall? I believe he is Abel. As Mark Twain once said:

I see a little silhouetto of a man
Scaramooch, Scaramooch, will you do the fandango?
Thunderbolt and lightning — very very frightening me
Galileo, (Galileo), Galileo, (Galileo), Galileo Figaro

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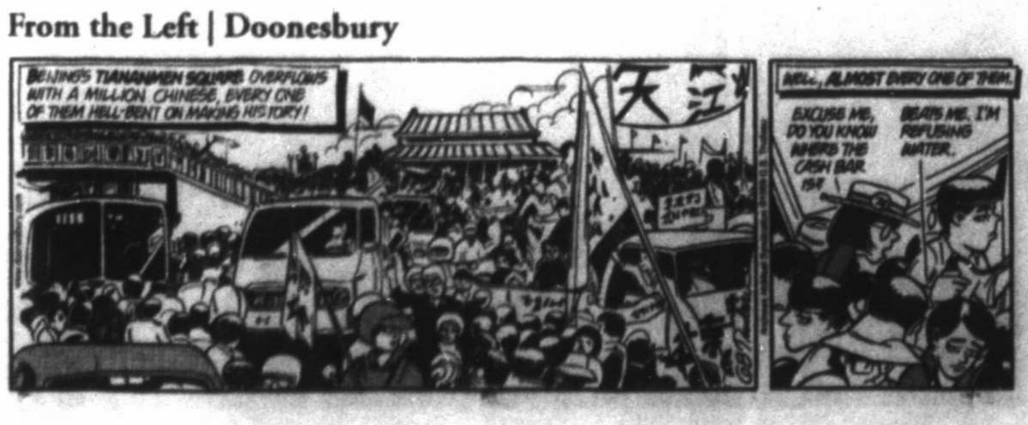

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POLITICAL BRIEFS

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President Donald Trump pauses during a ceremony in the East Room of the White House on Monday in Washington. Trump's threat to stop billions of dollars in government payments to insurers and force the collapse of "Obamacare" could put the government in a tricky legal situation.

WASHINGTON

Senate Dems spell out conditions on bipartisan tax reform

Senate Democrats and independents said Tuesday that upcoming legislation to rewrite the nation's tax code should ensure the middle class doesn't pay more and the "top 1 percent" doesn't pay less.

In a letter to Republican leaders, including President Donald Trump, 45 of the 48 Senate Democratic caucus members said they won't support any upcoming GOP effort to overhaul the tax system that delivers cuts to the top 1 percent or adds to the government's $20 trillion debt.

Republicans controlling Congress are gearing up to advance their tax measure this fall, promising to lower rates on businesses and individuals, while clearing out many tax breaks and deductions.

The letter says that Democrats hope to work with Republicans to promote investment and modernize the outdated tax code, but the terms laid out by Democrats are unlikely to tempt Republicans, who are planning to use a filibuster-proof Senate procedure to advance the legislation without their help.

"Any tax reform effort should not benefit the wealthiest individuals, who have already seen outsized benefits from recent economic gains," said the letter, authored by Minority Leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., and others and provided to the media. "Tax reform cannot be a cover story for delivering tax cuts to the wealthiest."

WASHINGTON

Trump on tricky legal ground with 'Obamacare' threat

President Donald Trump's threat to stop billions of dollars in government payments to insurers and force the collapse of "Obamacare" could put the government in a legal bind.

Law experts say he'd be handing insurers a solid court case, while undermining his own leverage to compel Democrats to negotiate, especially if premiums jump by 20 percent as expected after such a move.

"Trump thinks he's holding all the cards. But Democrats know what's in his hand, and he's got a pair of twos," said University of Michigan law professor Nicholas Bagley. Democrats "aren't about to agree to dismantle the Affordable Care Act just because Trump makes a reckless bet."

For months, the president has been threatening to stop payments that reimburse insurers for providing required financial assistance to low-income consumers, reducing their copays and deductibles.

Administration officials say the decision could come any day.

Playing defense, some insurers are preemptively raising premiums for next year. For example, BlueCross BlueShield of Arizona this week announced a 7.2 percent average hike for 2018. But there would likely be no increase if the subsidies are guaranteed, the company said. And BlueCross BlueShield of North Carolina earlier requested a 22.9 percent average increase. With the subsidies, the company said that would have been 8.8 percent.

The "cost-sharing" subsidies are under a legal cloud because of a dispute over whether the Obama health care law properly approved the payments. Other parts of the health care law, however, clearly direct the government to reimburse insurers.

With the issue unresolved, the Trump administration has been paying insurers each month, as the Obama administration had done previously.

Trump returned to the subject last week after the GOP drive to repeal the health care law fell apart in the Senate, tweeting, "As I said from the beginning, let ObamaCare implode, then deal. Watch!"

He elaborated in another tweet, "If a new HealthCare Bill is not approved quickly, BAILOUTS for Insurance Companies...will end very soon!"

It's not accurate to call the cost-sharing subsidies a bailout, said Tim Jost, a professor emeritus at Washington and Lee University School of Law in Virginia.

"They are no more a bailout than payments made by the government to a private company for building a bomber," he said.

WASHINGTON

President Donald Trump says he won't stay off social media

President Donald Trump may be trying for a reset in the West Wing, but he is making clear that he is not changing his twitter habit.

On Twitter on Tuesday, Trump said: "Only the Fake News Media and Trump enemies want me to stop using Social Media (110 million people). Only way for me to get the truth out!"

The tweet came one day after retired Gen. John Kelly took over as Trump's new chief of staff. Tapped to bring order to the chaotic West Wing, Kelly quickly made his presence known on Monday — ousting newly appointed communications director Anthony Scaramucci and revising the command structure so that all senior staffers report to him.

Those moves were praised Monday by Trump allies and lawmakers, who expressed hope that Kelly would help stem internal conflicts and advance a policy agenda after six months of tumult. But less clear is how much control Kelly will have over Trump's predilection for sowing conflict and making off-the-cuff comments on social media.

White House spokeswoman Sarah Huckabee Sanders repeated on Tuesday that Kelly had full control over the staff. Asked at a press briefing if senior advisers Ivanka Trump, Jared Kushner and others would be able to drop in to see the president, she said: "I don't think anyone just wanders into the Oval Office."

Sanders added that "Gen. Kelly is going to work with the entire team as he has been doing over the last couple of days."

Sen. Lindsey Graham, speaking on NBC's "Today Show," said he was encouraged by Kelly's new role, but stressed that he was looking for "discipline" from Trump in order to move forward with issues like health care and tax reform.

"He has an obligation to be president for all of us and stop the chaos. Most of the chaos is generated by him and no one else," Graham said.

WASHTINGTON

GOP shows signs of reaching out to Democrats on health care

Republicans showed signs Tuesday of reaching out to Democrats for a joint if modest effort to buttress health insurance markets, four days after the GOP effort to unilaterally uproot and reshape the Obama health care law crumpled in the Senate.

The Republican chairman of the Senate health committee, Tennessee's Lamar Alexander, said he'd seek bipartisan legislation extending for one year federal payments to insurers that help millions of low- and moderate-income Americans afford coverage. President Donald Trump has threatened to halt those subsidies in hopes of forcing Democrats to make concessions, which the Senate's top Democrat on Tuesday called "not what an adult does."

The No. 2 Senate Republican also seemed to imply the two parties should seek common health care ground. Texas Sen. John Cornyn said on the Senate floor, "We are forced to work together to try to solve these problems, and I think frankly bipartisan solutions tend to be more durable."

In addition, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell rebuffed Trump's demands that the Senate change its rules so it can pass a health overhaul with a simple majority vote. McConnell, R-Ky., said the Senate lacks the votes to end filibusters of legislation like Trump wants, and noted that getting the 60 votes needed to end filibusters wasn't why Republicans lost.

"It's pretty obvious that our problem with health care was not the Democrats. We didn't have 50 Republicans," McConnell told reporters.

The prospects for passing bipartisan health care legislation remain uncertain, with divisions between conservatives and moderate Republicans persisting on several issues. In particular, Trump, McConnell and some other Republicans have mocked the payments Alexander wants to renew as a bailout for insurers.

Nonetheless, the day's comments collectively underscored the distance Senate Republicans are keeping from White House demands that they continue voting on repealing and replacing President Barack Obama's 2010 health care overhaul. Erasing that law has been a top priority for Trump and most GOP congressional candidates, and failing to do it as they control the White House and Congress has angered many in the party.

Many top Republicans have said it's time for the GOP to move from health care to other issues.

McConnell said "there's still an opportunity" for Republicans to push health care legislation through the Senate. He said he was waiting for the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office to estimate the impact of GOP bills easing some of the party's proposed Medicaid cuts, making it easier for insurers to sell bare-bones policies and giving states block grants for health programs.

Alexander said the legislation he envisions would be "small, bipartisan and balanced." He said it should include money to continue the insurance payments in 2018 and give states more flexibility on the type of coverage insurers must provide, he said.

He said his panel would hold hearings next month on stabilizing insurance markets. That would be a departure from the lack of hearings when McConnell worked behind closed doors to craft various versions of the GOP's health care bill, which were rejected by his chamber.

WASHINGTON

With baby steps, Senate Republicans abandoning the president

There wasn't a dramatic public break or an exact moment it happened. But step by step, Senate Republicans are turning their backs on President Donald Trump.

They defeated an Obamacare repeal bill despite Trump's pleas. They're ignoring his Twitter demands that they get back to work on it. They dissed the White House budget director, defended the attorney general against the president's attacks and passed veto-proof sanctions on Russia over his administration's objections.

They're reasserting their independence, which looked sorely diminished in the aftermath of Trump's surprise election win.

"We work for the American people," Sen. Tim Scott of South Carolina said Tuesday. "We don't work for the president."

Those are surprisingly tough words from a Republican whose state Trump won easily less than a year ago. But after six months of controversies and historically low approval ratings, it's clear Trump isn't commanding the fear or respect he once did.

Some Republicans no doubt are giving voice to long-held reservations about a man whose election was essentially a hostile takeover of their party. But it is notable that the loudest criticism is coming from the Senate, where few Republicans are burdened with facing an electorate anytime soon. The situation is different in the House, where most Republicans represent conservative districts still loyal to Trump. For those lawmakers, the fear of facing a conservative primary challenger, possibly fueled by angry Trump followers, is real.

In the most remarkable example of public Trump-bashing, Sen. Jeff Flake of Arizona is taking aim at the president and his own party in a new book, writing that "Unnerving silence in the face of an erratic executive branch is an abdication" and marveling at "the strange specter of an American president's seeming affection for strongmen and authoritarians."

The criticism from Flake is especially striking since he is one of just two GOP senators facing competitive re-election races in next year's midterm elections, the other being Dean Heller of Nevada. The other 50 Senate Republicans are largely insulated from blow-back from Trump's still-loyal base, at least in the short term, since they won't face voters for several years.

WASHINGTON

Senate confirms Christopher Wray, Trump's choice for FBI

The Senate on Tuesday overwhelmingly confirmed Christopher Wray to lead the FBI, replacing James Comey, who was abruptly fired by President Donald Trump amid the investigation into Russian meddling in last year's presidential election.

The vote was 92-5 for Wray, a former high-ranking official in President George W. Bush's Justice Department who oversaw investigations into corporate fraud. Wray, 50, inherits the FBI at a particularly challenging time given Trump's ousting of Comey, who was admired within the bureau.

"This is a tough time to take this tough job," Sen. Amy Klobuchar, D-Minn., said during a relatively low-key Senate debate of the nomination. "The previous FBI director, as we know, was fired because of the Russia investigation. The former acting attorney general was fired. And we've had a slew of other firings throughout the government over the last few months."

Republican Sen. Ben Sasse of Nebraska said after the vote, "Chris Wray will bring character and competence to a city that is hemorrhaging public trust."

Wray won unanimous support from the Senate Judiciary Committee last month, with Republicans and Democrats praising his promise never to let politics get in the way of the bureau's mission.

Asserting his independence at his confirmation hearing, Wray said: "My loyalty is to the Constitution and the rule of law. Those have been my guideposts throughout my career, and I will continue to adhere to them no matter the test."

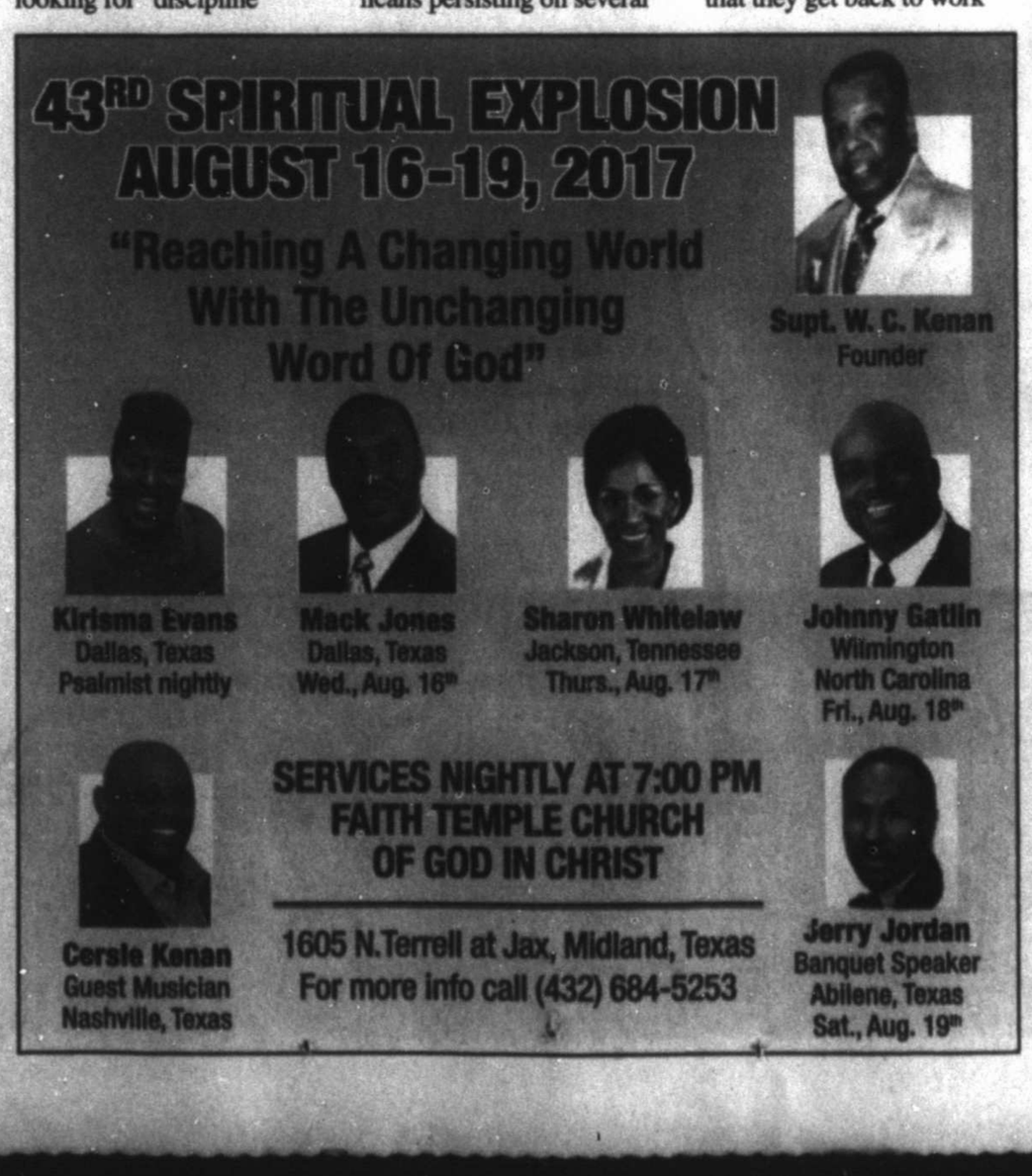
Trump roiled Washington on May 9 by firing Comey in the midst of his 10-year term as the FBI chief and as the law enforcement agency was investigating Russia's role in the election and possible ties to Trump campaign officials.

Andrew McCabe has served as acting FBI director during the nearly three-month interim period.

Wray has worked on white-collar crime and regulatory cases as a partner at the King & Spalding law firm. From May 2001 to May 2005, he held various high-ranking positions in the Justice Department, rising to the head of the criminal division in September 2003. He also served as principal associate deputy attorney general.

He was a federal prosecutor in the U.S. attorney's office for the Northern District of Georgia from May 1997 to May 2001. Wray had represented New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie in the so-called Bridgegate scandal.

Wray is a graduate of Yale University, where he also received his law degree in 1992.



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Sneak Preview

FAVORITE BBQ KD's BBQ

With the best brisket in town and the most welcoming atmosphere in the business, it's no surprise that KD's Bar-B-Q – the historic, family-owned restaurant on Interstate 20 – is once again the Reader's Choice Award Gold Winner for favorite barbecue, and has held this title for more than a dozen years consecutively.

This year is no different as the award-winning barbecue celebrates its twentieth year in business. Owners Kathy and Dwight Freeman – the "K" and the "D" of the restaurant's name – opened up KD's Bar-B-Que in 1997, and since then they've been dedicated to dishing up the best barbecue and friendliest service in town.

"I'm so proud to be at 20 years," Kathy said. "In small businesses you constantly have ups and downs, and we're so proud to be here."

KD's Bar-B-Que is located in a rustic, spacious red barn where decorations like antique steel signs, posters, license plates, lights and cowboy paraphernalia line the walls. The character of the place grows each year, and Dwight said he's added decorations to the wall every day for 10 years. Besides the colorful interior of KD's, the pit also features a back sports bar and patio that can accommodate around 600 people and is available for rental.

But the real draw is the food, especially the tender, juicy brisket they've become so famous for in the last 20 years.

"Brisket is always the number one, it's the staple around here," Kathy said. "I would love to eat one of the pork chops, but then you can't have anything else because they're so big!"

Meats are sold by the pound at KD's, and sides like potato salad, corn, baked potatoes, beans, coleslaw and cobbler can be added for an additional price. They also offer a complimentary bean bar with fare like pickles, pinto beans, jalapenos, cherry peppers and numerous types of finger-lickin' KD's barbecue sauce.

Dwight said the restaurant starts cooking at 3:30 a.m. and that on any given day they prepare between 1000 to 1500 pounds of their 14 to 15 varieties of meat to serve to their loyal customers.

"Our favorite part is the customers – hanging out with them, making them feel special. We just enjoy our customers so much," Kathy said.

While Dwight and Kathy enjoy working at and maintaining the family restaurant, they said their son, Dustin Freeman, who joined KD's Bar-B-Que in January 2015 as the manager, has done a phenomenal job of running the business.

"We're so proud of our son, Dustin," Dwight said. "He really runs this place and he's done a fantastic job."

The great service, friendly people, casual atmosphere and outstanding barbecue are a few of the reasons KD's Bar-B-Que keeps people coming back for more, but for the Freemans, the customers and people they meet are what keep the smiles on their faces.

"We really have the most loyal customers, and we want them to know how much we appreciate them," Kathy said. "Meeting all the people and being able to cook great barbecue are the best parts of owning KD's."

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Seminar to show impact of lifestyle on health

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We live in an exciting time. I believe modern medicine is truly on the verge of a paradigm shift — away from ineffective and unaffordable reliance on pharmacology, procedures and technology and toward preventing, arresting, and even in some instances, reversing disease through adoption of a healthy lifestyle. The body of peer-reviewed evidence ressonsible for this change is increasing and compelling.

The population of the United States is 5 percent that of the world, yet we consume 80 percent of the pharmaceuticals. We outspend every other country on health care by a wide margin. Are we getting healthier? Is our strategy working? Not by a long shot.

Diabetes, obesity, hypertension, strokes, heart attacks, heart failure, renal failure, cancers of the breast, colon and prostate and autoimmune diseases are increasingly afflicting us. The CDC determined that we spend 80 percent of Medicare dollars on chronic diseases that are largely avoidable.

Research is clearly showing us that exercise and what we choose to eat are the strongest determinants of whether we are healthy or sick. We are generally not the victims of our genes, unless we choose to be. Chinese researcher Liping Zhao says it well: "Eat right. Stay fit. Live long. Die quick." We cannot realistically expect to spend our days sitting, eating junk food and be healthy. It doesn't work that way. With every single bite you take, you are either creating health or disease. It's that simple.

I am a board member of Healthy City, a new Midland-based nonprofit organization with the mission to raise awareness about how to achieve optimal health through lifestyle change and to increase awareness of the relationship between disease and nutrition. Healthy City is hosting the second annual Food is Medicine seminar and extending the event to those who are passionate about wellness across Texas and its neighbors.

Food is Medicine is an all-day seminar that includes sessions from renowned speakers in the field of lifestyle medicine, a delicious and healthy lunch, book signings and two Q&A sessions with experts. The seminar is designed to help those who are interested in health and wellness learn about the incredible impact our lifestyle and nutrition choices have on our short- and long-term health and hear testimonials from those who have experienced radical

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About the program

"Food is Medicine" is 8:30 a.m. Aug. 12 at the Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. Tickets are $25 and are available at ourhealthycity.com.

BIDS TO STOP SIDS

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Donna Doyle, clinical manager for pediatrics at Midland Memorial Hosptial, shows off baby boxes July 26 that are given to parents of newborns. The padded boxes provide infants with a safe place to sleep without objects or loose bedding causing harm to the baby.

MMH programs raise awareness of infant safety

■ Hospital employees teach parents about safe sleep practices, car seat usage

By Simone Jasper
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Recent efforts teach parents about safety as they welcome newborns at Midland Memorial Hospital. Parents receive tips about safe sleep practices and proper car seat use.

The hospital last month received baby boxes, in which infants can sleep without loose bedding. Blankets, quilts and pillows can lead to unintentional suffocation and increase the risk of sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS), according to the National Institutes of Health.

SIDS is the leading cause of mortality for infants 1 month to 1 year, according to a 2014 report from the Texas Department of State Health Services.

Donna Doyle, clinical manager for pediatrics at MMH, said the boxes are an effort to reduce SIDS and educate parents about safe sleep. The hospital is the only distribution site for the baby boxes within 120 miles, Doyle said.

"It's a big honor for us to be one of the distribution centers," Doyle said. "We've been trying to figure out how to reduce infant deaths for a long time."

The hospital received the boxes from The Baby Box Co., which has statewide programs in Texas and three other states, according to its website.

Foundational partners and private contributors support the Texas program, according to Jennifer Clary, The Baby Box Co. co-founder and CEO. Corporate partners donate the baby products that come inside the boxes, and the company also contributes to the program, Clary said in an email.

The boxes are made of sturdy cardboard and are decorated with a bluebonnet design. Each box contains a firm

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Study links insufficient sleep to weight gain, diabetes

By Ariana Eunjung Cha
Washington Post

By now, the connection between sleep and weight gain has been well-established. Numerous studies have provided evidence that sleeping too little — less than five hours — messes with your hormones, slows down your metabolism and reprograms your body to eat more.

A new study published in PLOS One takes a stab at the question of how serious in terms of numbers are the consequences by studying the relationship between sleep duration and a number of quantifiable factors: Waist circumference, blood pressure, lipids, glucose, thyroid hormones and other important measures of a person's metabolic profile. The research, led by the Leeds Institute of Cardiovascular and Metabolic Medicine and the School of Food Science and Nutrition, involved 1,615 people 19 to 65 in Great Britain.

The most striking suggestion was that getting insufficient sleep may make you go up a clothing size.

People in the study who were sleeping an average of six hours each night had waist measurements about 1.2 inches more than those getting nine hours of sleep a night. Those with less sleep also weighed more. The relationship between more sleep and smaller waists and a lower body mass index (BMI) appeared to be almost linear.

The findings appear to contradict other studies that show that too much sleep — nine hours or more — might have a similar impact on the body as too little sleep. This new study appears to show that waist circumference

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FDA to propose cutting nicotine in cigarettes

By Carla K. Johnson
Associated Press

For the first time, the federal government is proposing cutting the nicotine level in cigarettes so they aren't so addictive.

U.S. Food and Drug Administration chief Scott Gottlieb on Friday directed the agency's staff to develop new regulations on nicotine. The FDA has had the power since 2009 to regulate nicotine levels but hasn't done so. Stocks of cigarette makers plunged after the announcement.

Gottlieb also said the FDA is giving e-cigarette makers four more years to comply with a review of products already on the market. The agency needs to concentrate on nicotine regulation and not be distracted by the debate on whether e-cigarettes help smokers quit, he said.

"A renewed focus on nicotine can help us to achieve a world where cigarettes no longer addict future generations of our kids," Gottlieb said in a speech to staff in Silver Spring, Maryland.

Tar and other substances inhaled through smoking make cigarettes deadly, but the nicotine in tobacco is what makes

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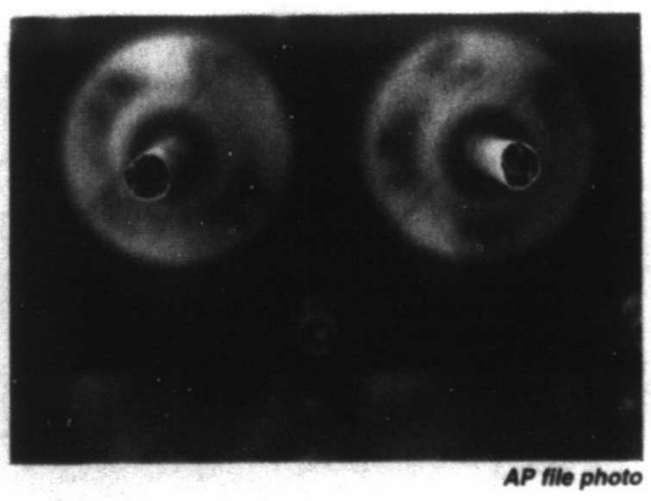

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Test cigarettes sit in a smoking machine in a lab Nov. 10, 2016, at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta. On Friday, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced that it wants to lower nicotine levels in cigarettes so they aren't so addictive.

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Obituaries

Dorothy Hill

Dorothy Hill passed away at Midland Memorial Hospital on July 30, 2017 after a short illness surrounded by several family and friends. Dorothy believed in positive attitude at all times and was known for her warm, loving smile, kind heart and her smile would fill a room. She lived a full life raising eight children while also being a military wife, constantly moving from different deployments in the United States and England. She had children born in Oklahoma, Virginia and Arizona.

She was born in Vinita, Oklahoma on October 13, 1925 and grew up in Tulsa, Oklahoma where she met James J. Hill at a Catholic Church function. She married James who joined the United States Air Force and served 28 years, eventually moving to Midland, Texas in 1973 from Belton, Missouri until her passing.

She was an active member of St. Anne's Catholic Church. Dorothy was an original parishioner of St. Stephen's Catholic Church, where she was a faithful parishioner until she passed away. She was active in the church prayer line for years and a very proud member of St. Stephen's. She loved ice skating in her youth, was a fantastic artist, an avid reader and loved gardening and flowers. Dorothy became an avid sports fan, from her seven boys playing all sports. She loved watching and discussing local high school sports, the Dallas Cowboys and Texas Tech.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her husband of 48 years, James J. Hill; her oldest son, Thomas Hill and his wife, Joyce. Her surviving children are Kathryn Hill of San Antonio, Texas; Terrance Hill and spouse Erlynn of Midland, Texas; David Hill and spouse Karen of Edmond, Oklahoma; Robert Hill and spouse Beth of League City, Texas; Patrick Hill of Midland, Texas; John Hill and spouse Michele of Evans, Georgia; Tim Hill and spouse Jeanie of Dripping Springs, Texas.

She also was a proud grandmother of fourteen grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Her deceased parents were Irene and Tom Mahoney of Tulsa, Oklahoma. She is also survived by her sister, Mary Doris Maxwell of Denver, Colorado; and her beloved friend and cousin, Margaret Schier and spouse Joe Schier of St. Louis, Missouri. She is also survived by extended family members Carole and Karen Anderson of Midland, Texas.

A viewing will be held at Ellis Funeral Home at 801 Andrews Hwy., Midland, Texas 79701 on Wednesday August 2nd from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with a rosary at 7:00 p.m. Funeral Mass will be held at St. Stephens Catholic Church 4601 Neely Ave., Midland, Texas 79707 at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday August 3rd. She will be laid to rest at Resthaven Memorial Park at 4616 North Big Spring, Midland, Texas 79706.

Dorothy was a strong advocate for giving back and donating to the community, thus in lieu of flowers, please make donations to your favorite charities.

Online condolences may be offered at www.ellisfunerals.com.

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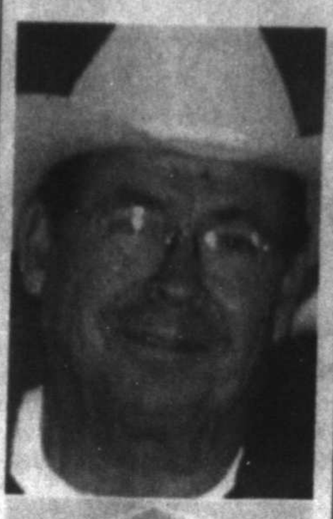

Doyle Lee Thompson

Doyle Lee Thompson, loving husband, daddy, grandpa, brother and friend passed away suddenly Friday, July 28, 2017. Doyle or "Daddy-Doyle", as he was known by family, was the rock and center of his family's universe.

Doyle was born November 24, 1947 in McAlester, Oklahoma to Haskell Gordon Thompson and Juanita Faye Thompson. He moved with his family to Midland in the early 1950's where he attended Travis Elementary and Cowden Junior High. He graduated (kicking and screaming) from Midland High School in 1966. It was at MHS where he met Jamie Davidson Thompson, his high school sweetheart and love of his life. After high school Doyle joined the United States Army and was stationed in Fort Ord, California until he was medically discharged in 1967.

Doyle and Jamie loved to just have fun together, spending time with family and friends, going rabbit hunting, coyote calling , working on Doyle's car, going up and down the drag and hanging out at the A&W or the drive in theatre. Doyle and Jamie married October 28, 1967 and this year they would have celebrated their 50th Anniversary together.

Doyle and Jamie have two daughters, Dustie and Tammie. Doyle's daughters were his world and he loved to have fun with them; hunting, fishing, riding horses, motorcycles and odysseys, helping them take care of all of their animals at home and at the barn, working on cars, and doing all the "guy" stuff other father's would do with their sons. It never crossed his mind that his daughters were "girls" and he didn't much care. Doyle had three grandchildren Ariel Windsor, Hayden Johnson and Cameron Logsdon and if you thought he loved his girls you can only imagine how much he loved his grandkids. Daddy-Doyle as they called him loved to spend every waking moment with them, playing at the barn, shooting 22's, fishing in the pond, and just snuggling up on the couch watching tv and movies.

Doyle's father owned J&H Construction Co. and he followed in his father's footsteps setting up his own business Doyle Thompson Inc. in 1975. He was a hard worker and anyone who knew him knew that you would always find him welding or grinding on some piece of metal. He began welding at the age of 13 and started operating backhoes about the same time. Most of his work was on gasoline plants, pipelines and compressor stations. Throughout the years Doyle did work for many companies including Cities Service, BP Petroleum, Perry Gas, Northern Natural, and Western Gas Processors. He had the pleasure of working with many great men throughout the years and became lifelong friends with most all of them. Doyle retired a few years ago after some health problems but he never stopped working, he was one of the hardest working people anyone could meet. His latest projects included working towards building a house for his daughter Tammie, a pig pen for his grandson Hayden, a lacrosse/baseball cage for his grandson Cameron and the MHS Bulldog Lacrosse team, and remodeling the house for his granddaughter Ariel, not to mention the countless projects he had going at the shop and barn.

Doyle was an amazing artist, with a true God given gift, creating beautiful and realistic museum quality wildlife art. He loved to carve birds and horny toads, create metal sculptures and paint watercolors. If you never saw his work it is hard to explain how realistic it looked, fooling real animals, birds and ants. Sometimes you could catch him holding a live bird or catching a horny toad so he could feel them and study how they looked. He was never boastful and when asked by people how do you do that? He would just say, *"Well you just take off what doesn't look like a bird."* He did not like to sell his art, it was something he truly loved to do.

To know Doyle was to love him, he touched the lives of everyone he came in contact with. He would give you the shirt off his back if you needed it and he loved to sit and just talk for hours. He had an amazing way of becoming "family" with everyone he came to know and it is heart breaking that he is gone and he will be forever missed. Doyle had a strong faith in the Lord, and love for his Savior Jesus.

Doyle is survived by his loving wife, Jamie D. Thompson; his daughter, Dustie Lee Johnson and husband Guylan James "Jamie" Johnson; daughter, Tammie Thompson Logsdon and husband William Logsdon; granddaughter, Ariel Morgan Windsor; grandson, Hayden Lee Johnson; and grandson, Cameron Doan Logsdon all of Midland; father, Haskell "Hack" Gordon Thompson of Gladewater, Texas; sister, Louise King and husband Ronnie King of Gilmer, Texas; sister, Loraine Carrigan of White Oak, Texas; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, family and friends.

Doyle is preceded in death by his mother, Juanita Faye Thompson; brother, Haskell Thompson, Jr.; brother-in-law, Charles Carrigan; his father-in-law James, D. Davidson; mother-in-law, Bettie G. Davidson; brother-in-law, John D. Davidson, and sister-in-law Bettie Jo Davidson.

Visitation with the family will be Wednesday, August 2, 2017 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Ellis Funeral Home. Services for Doyle Lee Thompson will be Thursday, August 3, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. at Ellis Funeral Home with Brother Dave Sammons officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park North.

Pallbearers are Guylan James "Jamie" Johnson, William Logsdon, Hayden Lee Johnson, Glenn Conner, Derrell Conner and Jimmy Conner. Honorary Pallbearers will be Cameron Doan Logsdon, Ronnie King Sr. and Tommie Conner.

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John Cleveland Tarbet

John Cleveland Tarbet, 52, passed away Sunday in San Angelo after a long battle with cancer.

A memorial service will be held Thursday, August 3, at 3:30 p.m., at Starbuck Funeral Home, 201 Edwards St., Merkel, Texas.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to: Kindred Hospice, 112 W. Concho Ave., San Angelo, TX 76903 or North Texas Laryngectomy Society, Attn: K Jensen, 923 Pennsylvania Ave, Ft Worth, TX 76104.

Margaret Estelle Bohanan Coleman

Margaret Estelle Bohanan Coleman was called to her rest in Jesus on July 28, 2017, the day before her 90th birthday at the Scharbauer Cottage at Manor Fark in Midland, Texas.

Services will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 2, 2017 at Sparkman Funeral Services in Richardson, Texas.

She was born July 29, 1927 in the new Methodist Hospital in Dallas, Texas to Clarence Watson Bohanan and Grace Margaret Jones Bohanan. Margaret, known as Martelle to her eight siblings, was predeceased by her loving husband Tom in 2011 after 63 years of marriage. Her own mother died at the young age of 42 and her father at 87. She recently lost her brother, Bill Bohanan, and sister, Gladys Arrington.

Margaret was a very kind, loving, and generous lady. She was a teacher by profession and taught for many years in Dallas, Roswell, New Mexico, and Midland. In Midland, she taught briefly at Cowden Jr. High and then fifth and sixth grade at Fannin elementary. She enjoyed seeing many of her former students through the years and learning about their lives and families.

Margaret was a Christian and was very active in the Lay Witness program, and the Homer Fort Fellowship Class at First United Methodist Church as well as United Methodist women. She also enjoyed her bridge club for many years.

Margaret was active in the women's auxiliary at Manor Park when her mother-in-law was a resident and husband Tom was Chairman of the Board. She did grocery shopping for some of the shut-in residents and would bring them baked goodies.

After Margaret retired, she and Tom enjoyed traveling throughout the world, visiting their lake house at Horseshoe Bay, and spending time with their grandkids. She also enjoyed crossword puzzles.

Margaret had a dry sense of humor and would spring it on us when we'd least expect it. She was fun-loving and we are so going to miss her. But we know we will see her again when she rises in glory to meet Jesus in the clouds and we join her there. Her favorite scripture was the 23rd Psalm and she had a special teaching of it. The Lord truly was her shepherd. She always said, "Speak life!" and that always encouraged her kids.

Margaret is survived by her daughters, Beth Bradley of Arlington, Texas and Kay Grissom and husband Jon of Wichita, Kansas; and by her son, Kelly and wife Tina of Midland.

She is also survived by her brothers, Clarence Watson 'Tom' Bohanan, Jr. and wife Julia of Dallas, Jim Bohanan of Kansas City, Missouri, and David Bohanan and wife Sandy of Dallas; sisters, Jane Hunt and husband David and Martha Ray of Grand Prairie; sister-in-law, Carolyn Carpenter of Ladera Ranch, California; and by eight grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Her family would like to thank the dedicated nursing staff and caregivers at Manor Park and Home Hospice.

Ronald "Ronnie" Glenn Patterson

Ronald "Ronnie" Glenn Patterson, 63, of Midland, Texas went to see Jesus on Friday, July 28, 2017.

Ronnie was born in Midland TX in 1954 to Thomas Junior and Annie Lucille Patterson.

Ronnie enjoyed working and was well respected. He made many great friends during his time working at Dr. Pepper, and then at Apache Corporation. He was a member at Greenwood Baptist Church.

Ronnie is survived by his wife and best friend, Rhonda of 33 years; son, Jason and Aimee of Midland, TX and son, Jeremy & Jessica of Portland, Texas; his precious grandchildren, Mikey, Konway & Lawson.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother Melton Patterson. He will be missed by his surviving siblings; his brother Tommy Patterson (Barbara), his sister Brenda Willingham, his sister Paula Harrison (Kevin) and his sister Trish Robles (Roland); sister-in-law, Becky Patterson; and many nieces and nephews and his many friends.

The family will receive friends from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, August 3, 2017 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Midland. A celebration of his life will be held at 10:00 a.m., Friday, August 4, 2017 at Greenwood Baptist Church, 10908 FM 307, Midland, TX. Pastor Zach Crook will be officiating. Burial will follow at Greenwood Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St Jude Research Hospital, 501 St Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or a charity of your choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland. Online condolences can be made at *www.npwelch.com*.

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Michael Jase "M.J." Sredanovich

Michael Jase "M.J." Sredanovich, age 2, passed away suddenly on Saturday, July 29, 2017. The family will be accepting guests at The Branch at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 1, 2017. A Celebration of Life will be held Wednesday, August 2, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. at Stonegate Fellowship.

M.J. was born on July 21, 2015, in Midland, Texas, to Michael and Holly Sredanovich. M.J. was 100% full of life. He was all boy, loving tractors, big trucks, cars, horses, and watering the grass... or anyone or anything near the grass. From the time he woke up in the morning until bedtime at night, he wanted to be *"aaahhhhside!"* He loved to help daddy, granddaddy, and pop pop "FIX" whatever was being worked on. He was a big help to everyone and loved helping with whatever you were doing. He would help carry baby brother in to daycare every day and make sure he was where he was supposed to be before cheerfully heading to his class. He was a "helper" to clean up and sweep... if there wasn't a mess, he would make one so he could help clean up with the *"baaaaaccuuummm."*

M.J. was a big gentleman at such a young age; having a huge heart. He loved his "sissy" and his "bubba" so much, always hugging and kissing on them. M.J. touched everyone he met with his big smile and gorgeous eyes. He brought so much life, love, and laughter into our lives in the brief time we had him here with us. We will cherish these memories for a lifetime.

M.J. is survived by his loving daddy and mommy, Michael and Holly Sredanovich; his big sister, Hope Genevive Gleghorn; his baby brother, Mason William Sredanovich; maternal grandparents, Russell and Kelly Allen of Midland, Texas; and paternal grandparents, Michael and Virginia (Gingie) Sredanovich of Odessa, Texas. M.J. is also survived by his great grandparents, loving uncles, aunts, cousins and numerous other family members and friends who loved him so.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland. Online condolences may be made at *www.npwelch.com*.

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Death Notices

Jacinto Garcia

Jacinto Garcia, 53, passed away on Monday, July 31, 2017.

A graveside service will be Thursday, August 3, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at Serenity Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

Margaret Rhea Glandon

Margaret Rhea Glandon, age 89, of Odessa, Texas, passed away on Sunday, July 30, 2017 in Odessa.

Graveside Services will be at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, August 3, 2017 at Sunset Memorial Gardens in Odessa.

She is survived by her four daughters, nine grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Arrangements are entrusted to Sunset Memorial Gardens and Funeral Home in Odessa.

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Boxes

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mattress with a fitted sheet.

Doyle said the boxes can be used for the first five to six months. She advises parents to keep loose items and bumper pads away from sleep spaces.

To receive a free box, parents must register at the Baby Box University website before leaving the hospital. They are also encouraged to watch online videos related to sleep safety and other topics.

Also at MMH, employees educate parents about car seat safety. Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of accidental deaths for children, according to a 2014-15 report from the Texas Child Fatality Review Team.

Children should be in rear-facing seats from birth until they are more than 35 pounds or older than 2 years old, according to information on the Texas Department of Public Safety website. Children should use them "as long as possible, up to the rear-facing height or weight limit of the seat," according to the recommendation.

But last year, five children 2 or under who died in motor vehicle crashes were unrestrained, according to Texas Department of Transportation statistics.

Locally, some MMH employees recently completed coursework to become Child Passenger Safety technicians. They now teach parents about installing car seats in their vehicles and properly placing infants in the seats.

Sally Stewart, registered nurse in the MMH nursery, received certification before some of her peers followed suit. She said it's rewarding to empower parents or newborns with information.

"A lot of parents are not aware why they need to rear-face a newborn…," Stewart said. "When I go through the actual safety of it, they're pretty taken aback."

AWTREY

From 1B

change.

Food is Medicine will take place Aug. 12 at the Wagner Noël Performing Arts Center. Tickets are $25, with lunch included. (There is a 10 percent discount for group orders of 10 or more).

The following speakers are planning to be in attendance:

■ Dr. Scott Stoll, author of "Alive."

He will give an overview of the foods that build a healthy, disease-free body and how to raise healthy children;

■ Dr. Michael Greger, author of the New York best seller "How Not to Die."

He will present the leading causes of death and how they are impacted by diet.

■ Doug Lisle, a clinical psychologist and author of "The Pleasure Trap."

He will discuss food addictions and offer insight into our biological processes. and

■ Brenda Davis, registered dietician, will give an overview of how to design an optimal plant-based diet and will address nutritional concerns.

Here are just a few reasons to consider attending "Food Is Medicine:"

■ Type II diabetes is an epidemic.

It was once called "adult onset diabetes" but now affects adolescent children, shortening their life expectancy by 19 years. You can continue to manage your diabetes or defeat it with plant-based nutrition.

■ No medication or procedure prevents the relentless progression of coronary artery disease .

Dr. Caldwell Esselstyn at the Cleveland Clinic, however, was able to arrest CAD and prevent heart attacks in his patients with diet. Seventy percent even had some degree of reversal. Dr. Kim Williams, past president of the American College of Cardiology said, "There are two kinds of cardiologists — plant-based and those who haven't read the research."

■ Multiple sclerosis, Chrohn's disease and other autoimmune diseases are effectively treated with diet.

■ Colon cancer is preventable with a plant-based diet.

The benefit doesn't stop there, though. A recent study of colon cancer patients demonstrated that after diagnosis and treatment, those adopting a plant-based diet and exercise had a 48 percent less likelihood of dying from their diseases compared with those who remained sedentary and continued to eat the typical unhealthy American diet.

The Food Is Medicine is an affordable and almost unique opportunity. The only other similar program I am aware of in the United States is Healthfest in Marshall. The fee to attend that event is more than $200.

There are many people in the Permian Basin already experiencing new health as a result of adopting a plant-based lifestyle. I hope you will join us to learn how you can, too.

Tickets are available online and space is limited, so register today at www.ourhealthycity.com/events.

If you would like additional information, you can learn more by calling Healthy City at 800-856-4916, or by emailing info@ourhealthycity.com. You can also find out more about Food Is Medicine on Healthy City's website at www.ourhealthycity.com, or by following @ourhealthycity on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

Dr. Staton Awtrey is a cardiothoracic surgeon.

NICOTINE

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them addictive. Tobacco use is the leading cause of preventable heart disease, cancer and death in the United States, causing more than 480,000 deaths annually.

Gottlieb said he has asked the FDA's Center for Tobacco Products to explore whether lowering nicotine could create a black market for higher nicotine products and what role e-cigarettes and others forms of nicotine delivery may play in reducing harm from smoking. Battery-powered e-cigarettes turn liquid nicotine into an inhalable vapor.

Gottlieb also wants new rules to address flavored tobacco products and kids.

U.S. smoking rates have been falling for decades. They dropped from about 17 percent in 2014 to 15 percent in 2015, and held about steady at that level last year.

The FDA announcement is great news, said Eric Donny, a University of Pittsburgh researcher who has studied what happens when smokers puff on cigarettes with lower levels of nicotine. Donny and other researchers found that reducing nicotine substantially — by around 90 percent — leads to smokers being less dependent on cigarettes and smoking fewer of them.

There have been concerns that smokers might react to lower nicotine levels by smoking more of them to compensate. But the research shows that's not what happens — not if enough nicotine is taken out, Donny said.

"If you just reduce it a little, people might smoke more to make up the difference. They need to reduce it a lot," said Donny, who said regulators should consider a 95 to 97 percent reduction.

"Most of the harm associated with smoking is related not to the nicotine but everything else in the smoke. Reducing nicotine doesn't make a cigarette safe, it just makes it less addictive," said Donny, director of Pitt's Center for the Evaluation of Nicotine in Cigarettes.

There's additional research underway to see how often people who smoke lower-nicotine cigarettes switch to e-cigarettes or other, less harmful tobacco products, he said.

Kenneth Warner, a retired University of Michigan public health professor who is a leading authority on smoking and health, said he was pleasantly surprised to learn of the FDA announcement.

"If you can separate the nicotine people are craving from the smoke that's killing them, then you may be doing something very important," Warner said.

Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids president Matthew Myers praised the overall approach as "a bold and comprehensive vision" but called the e-cigarettes delay "a serious error."

"This long delay will allow egregious, kid-friendly e-cigarettes and cigars, in flavors like gummy bear, cherry crush and banana smash, to stay on the market with little public health oversight," Myers said in a statement.

Altria Group, which sells Marlboro and other cigarettes in the U.S., said it would be "fully engaged" in FDA's rule-making process. Altria also makes e-cigarettes.

"It's important to understand that any proposed rule such as a nicotine product standard must be based on science and evidence, must not lead to unintended consequences and must be technically achievable," the company said in a statement.

SLEEP

From 1B

and BMI are lowest for those with 12 hours of sleep.

The theory of why this relationship exists has to do with two hormones that help tell you when to eat and when to stop. Less sleep upsets the balance, making you eat more.

The PLOS One study also found another worrisome difference between people who had sufficient and insufficient sleep. They found that shorter sleep appeared to be linked with reduced levels of HDL or "good" cholesterol in the blood.

Researcher Greg Potter of Leeds, a co-author, expressed concern that insufficient sleep may contribute to obesity and type 2 diabetes: "Understanding why people gain weight has crucial implications for public health."

Mark Lennihan/Associated Press

Dr. Annapoorna Kini, center, reviews a patient's angiogram before beginning a procedure, as a colleague points to the screen Feb. 16 at Mount Sinai Hospital in New York. There's never been a better time to be treated for a heart attack. U.S. hospitals have set a record for how quickly they open blocked arteries, averaging under one hour for the first time since these results have been tracked, a new report finds.

Report: US hospitals set record for fast cardiac arrest care

By Marilynn Marchionne
Associated Press

There's never been a better time to be treated for a heart attack. U.S. hospitals have set a record for how quickly they open blocked arteries, averaging under one hour for the first time since these results have been tracked.

More than 93 percent of patients now have their arteries opened within the recommended 90 minutes of arrival.

"Things have definitely improved" from a decade ago, when less than half of heart attack patients were treated that fast, said Dr. Fred Masoudi, a University of Colorado cardiologist who led a recent report examining response times.

It's based on records from about 85 percent of U.S. hospitals that do the artery procedure, angioplasty . Through a blood vessel in the groin or an arm, doctors guide a tube to the blockage causing the heart attack. They inflate a tiny balloon to flatten the clog, and leave behind a mesh tube called a stent to prop the artery open.

The sooner blood flow is restored, the less chance of permanent damage.

"It's one of the few things in medicine where time, literally seconds, is of the essence. It's where the phrase 'time is muscle' comes from," said Dr. Ajay Kirtane, director of the lab that performs angioplasties at New York-Presbyterian/Columbia University Medical Center.

The risk of dying goes up 42 percent if care is delayed even half an hour beyond the 90 minutes that U.S. guidelines say patients should be treated after arrival.

In 2005, this "door-to-balloon" time averaged a dismal 96 minutes, and the American College of Cardiology led a drive to get hospitals to improve. The report shows it plunged to 59 minutes in 2014.

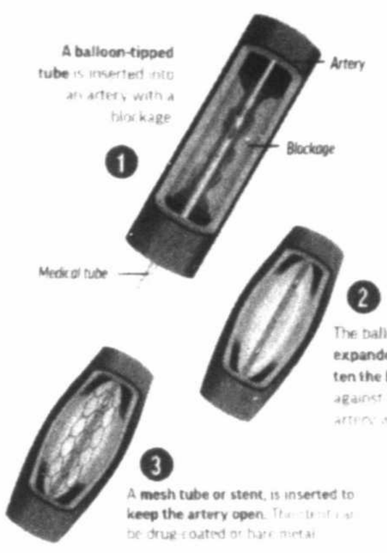
It was only 24 minutes for George Smith at UConn John Dempsey Hospital in Farmington, Connecticut. The 82-year-old woke up on March 31 with intense jaw pain, the same kind he had during a heart attack two years ago. His wife called 911. An ambulance whisked him to the emergency room, and "they were all waiting for me" at the door, he said.

An hour later he was sitting up in bed with a new stent. "I was amazed," he said. "Such a blessing."

One reason UConn is so fast — its median door-to-balloon time was 56 minutes last year, and only 39 minutes during one recent quarter — is the work it has done to make its emergency responders part of the cardiac care team, said the hospital's EMS coordinator, Peter Canning.

"We used our paramedics to extend our hospital into the patient's home," where they do an extensive electrocardiogram of the heartbeat and call results ahead to the hospital to get the angioplasty room ready, he said. "Calling from 25 minutes out instead of five minutes out can be a savings of 20 minutes of heart muscle."

Quick angioplasty a key to survival



But all that speed by the hospital won't do much good unless patients act fast, too, and call 911 if they think they might be having a heart attack.

The warning signs:

■ Discomfort in the center of the chest lasting more than a few minutes, or that goes away and comes back. It can feel like pressure, squeezing, fullness or pain.

■ Pain or discomfort in one or both arms, the back, neck, jaw or stomach.

■ Shortness of breath, which might include breaking out in a cold sweat, or feelings of nausea or lightheadedness.

"For women, the symptoms may not be the same. It may not be the typical chest pain" but rather abdominal pain, nausea or unusual tiredness, said Dr. Annapoorna Kini, a cardiologist at Mount Sinai Hospital in New York City.

People who are are unsure should seek medical help, she said.

"It's better to worry after" about whether it was really a stomach problem rather than a heart attack.

Angioplasty also is done for non-emergency conditions, to treat chronic chest pain caused by arteries that are clogged but not severely blocked, and its use in that setting is more questionable. Often medicines and other things can be tried first, and angioplasty can be avoided or delayed.

The report shows that fewer people are getting these procedures inappropriately. In 2014, about one third of angioplasties were elective, for non-emergency situations. Just over half were deemed to be done for clearly appropriate reasons and another one third were classified "may be appropriate" under guidelines from the cardiology college and others. About 14 percent were deemed "rarely appropriate" — less than other research has found in the past.

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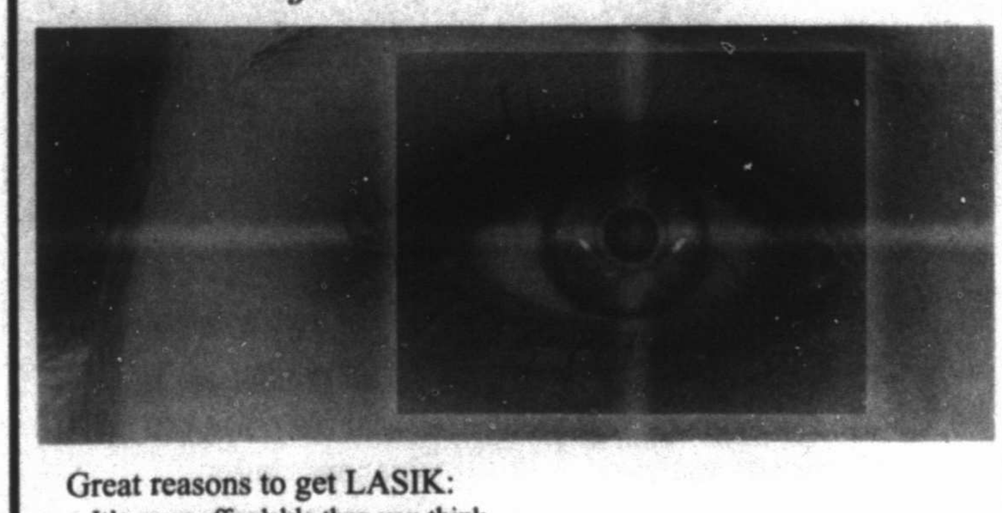

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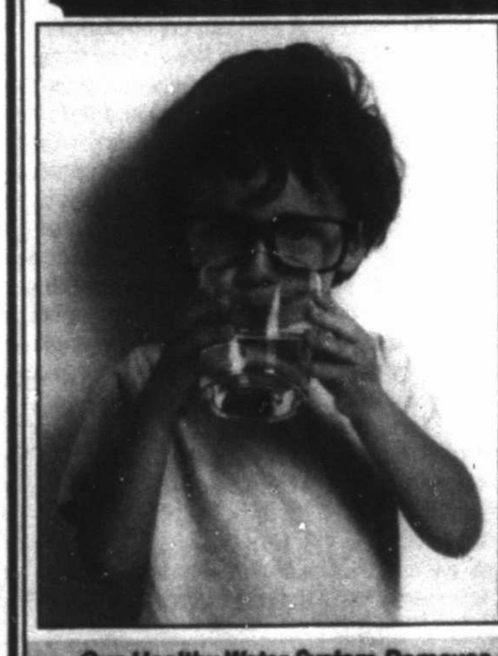

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Parents need to adjust expectations of hyperactive child

Some people think an excessively active child should be indulged, simply because he has a special condition. But every child needs the security of defined limits, and the hyperactive boy or girl is no exception. This child must be held accountable for his or her behavior like the rest of the family. Parents need to be consistent in rules and consequences.

Parents' level of expectation must be adjusted to fit the child's limitations. For example, most children can be expected to sit in a chair as a consequence of their actions; a hyperactive child would not be able to do this. How is the child to be controlled? What advice is available for the parents of a child with this problem?

Here are suggestions for parents of hyperactive children.

■ Keep your own voice quiet and slow.

Anger is normal, but anger can be controlled.

■ Try to control your emotions by bracing for expected conflict.

Parents should respond to any positive behavior, however small. If parents are aware and are searching for something positive in their child, it will be found.

■ Avoid a never-ending flow of negativity such as "stop," "don't," or "no."

■ Separate the child from the behavior.

The child is not out of control; his behavior is out of control. Make sure the child understands that.

■ Have a clear, consistent routine for this child.

Follow the routine with some flexibility even if the child interrupts it. Over time, your structure will reassure your child until he develops his own routines.

■ Provide a separate room or part of a room which is his own special area.

Simplicity, solid colors, minimal clutter and a work table facing away from distractions can assist with concentration. A hyperkinetic child may not be able to filter out overstimulation.

■ Do one thing at a time.

Give him one toy from a closed box; clear the table of everything else when coloring; turn off the radio/TV when he is doing his homework. Multiple stimuli prevent his concentration from focusing on his primary task.

■ Give the child responsibility, which is essential for growth.

The task should be within his capacity. Acceptance and recognition for his efforts (even when imperfect) should not be forgotten.

■ Be aware of his pre-explosive behaviors.

Quietly intervene to avoid explosions by distracting him or calmly discussing the conflict.

■ Restrict playmates to one or two at a time.

Your home is the best place for socialization opportunities because structure and supervision can be provided.

■ Do not pity, tease, be frightened by or overindulge this child.

He has a special condition of the nervous system; the condition is manageable.

■ Lock up all medications to avoid accidental misuse or availability.

Always supervise your child when he takes his medication, even if it is routine.

Annual Wellness Tour is planned

The third annual Wellness Tour is planned for Aug. 16-19 at various locations across Midland. There will be free workouts, health screenings and immunizations; bubble soccer; stroller walk; West Texas Food Bank tour and cooking demonstration; and Wet 'n' Wild with the Midland Fire Department.

Wellness Tour is presented in part by Midland Health, the city of Midland and Midland College.

For a complete schedule of events, go to wellnesstour.com.

Student physicals to be offered

■ MISD Care Clinic, 709 W. Louisiana Ave., has scheduled physicals, which are available to any student in the district.

The physicals will be administered 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Aug. 7-11.

■ Community Children's Clinic, 1101 E. Front St., will be offering free UIL, Headstart and day care physicals 8 a.m.-noon Aug. 12. Residents in the Texas Tech Family Practice Residency Program are volunteering their time to see patients on that day, said Renee Meiner, clinic executive director.

The free physicals are limited to the first 50 people. To reserve a spot, parents can call 686-8593. If 50 children aren't registered in advance, walk-ins will be accepted, Meiner said.

Midland Health events

■ Advance Care Planning Seminar, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. today at Midland Memorial Hospital; Collette Underwood, 221-1166, collette.underwood@midland-memorial.com.

■ Weigh to Success Support Group, 5:30 p.m.Thursday, Midland Memorial Hospital West Campus cafeteria; Sundae Adkins, 638-8081, sundae.adkins@midland-memorial.com.

■ Find a Job Friday, 9 a.m. Friday, Midland Memorial Hospital lobby, 221-4305.

■ Basic Childbirth Class, noon-4 p.m. Saturday, Midland Memorial Hospital; Amber Cunningham, 221-3283, childbirtheducation@midlandhealth.org; first of two classes; includes Birth Place tour; fee is $40 a couple; to register, go to midlandhealth.org and click on classes & events.

■ Basic Childbirth Class, 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Midland Memorial Hospital; Amber Cunningham, 221-3283, childbirtheducation@midlandhealth.org; first of four classes; includes Birth Place tour; fee is $40 a couple; to register, go to midlandhealth.org and click on classes & events.

HEALTHBRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Weekly support groups & hotlines

(subject to change)

■ TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursdays, Christian Church of Midland, 2609 Neely Ave. 694-8643.

■ Overeaters Anonymous; 3 p.m. Sunday, 7 p.m. Tuesdays, St. Stephen's Catholic Church. 553-1031.

■ Survivors of sexual abuse; interactive Bible study to help deal with the consequences of sexual abuse meets Tuesdays. Child care available; House of Hope, 570-5935.

■ Peer to Peer support group for veterans, active duty, guard, reserves and their families, 6 p.m. Tuesdays, Permian Basin Community Center, 401 E. Illinois Ave., Suite 403; Wil Hoggard, 213-5342, william.hoggard@wtc-mhmr.org.

■ PDAP meetings: 7-8 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays: Parents group and younger group (12-17), 1208 W. Wall St.; college group (18-26), 2503 W. Ohio Ave.; older group (27 and over), First Presbyterian Church 11:30-1:30 p.m. Wednesdays: older group, 1208 W. Wall St., includes lunch

■ Alcoholics Anonymous — hotline 580-7868.

■ Serenity Group, 8 p.m. daily, 3101 N. "A" St., Building C; 685-3100.

■ 710 Group, 7 a.m., noon and 8 p.m. Wednesdays, 710 Ohio Ave.; 682-8162.

■ Alpha Omega, 8 p.m Tuesdays and 11 a.m. Saturdays and Sundays, 311 S. Pecos St.

■ 12-Step Group of Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, 10 a.m. Saturdays; PDAP, 1208 W. Wall St., 553-7220.

■ Narcotics Anonymous — hotline 582-2926.

■ Laundry Group, 8 p.m. daily and noon Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 104 N. Marshall St.

■ Xodus Group, 7 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays, PDAP, 1208 W. Wall St., 634-7609.

■ CODA Group, 12-step program for relationships, 7 p.m. Fridays and Sundays, PDAP, 1208 W. Wall St., 599-4490.

■ La Hacienda Alumni, support group for former patients, 7 p.m. Thursdays, PDAP, 1208 W. Wall St. 553-7220.

Hope Chest

Hope Chest is a program that provides support for women during their pregnancy and after their baby is born.

Hope Chest allows mothers and mothers-to-be to earn necessities such as diapers, wipes, clothing and car seats through a point system. Points are earned by attending prenatal appointments and childbirth classes, and once the baby is born, moms continue to earn points at pediatrician visits until the child turns 2.

The program office is at Midland Memorial Hospital West Campus. For more information or to enroll in the program, call 221-1150.

To make a monetary donation or donate brand new baby items to Hope Chest, call the March of Dimes office at 416-7310.

MMH payment options

Midland Memorial Hospital recognizes that our community is facing challenging financial times. Resources are tight and families are having to make important decisions about what to spend money on now and what has to wait.

Realizing health care can be expensive and the increasing deductibles make it hard to manage, the hospital has adjusted its payment procedures. We want to make sure you receive the care you need, when you need it. To find out about the new options now offered to better accommodate your payment needs, call 221-4705.

Source: Midland Memorial Hospital

How sick are you?

Midland Memorial Hospital offers a a nurse triage program "68-NURSE."

The program is designed to help people determine whether their health situation warrants a trip to the emergency room. Midland residents can call the line by dialing 686-8773.

The program is free and available 24 hours a day-365 days a year. Local nurses are available to help you determine the best place to receive care for your situation. 68-NURSE can help you save time and money by directing you to the most appropriate healthcare option, whether it's a neighborhood clinic, urgent care center, emergency room … or just staying home.

Help line for long-term or disabled care

The Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services has a toll-free number residents can call to obtain information on services for the disabled or long-term care.

For more information, call 855-937-2372.

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Price transparency in medicine faces stiff opposition

■ Doctors, hospitals oppose Ohio law that would require patients receive a 'good faith' estimate of what non-emergency services would cost after insurance

By Rachel Bluth
Kaiser Health News

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Two years after it passed unanimously in Ohio's state Legislature, a law meant to inform patients what health care procedures will cost is in a state of suspended animation.

One of the most stringent in a group of similar state laws being proposed across the country, Ohio's Healthcare Price Transparency Law stipulated that before they commenced treatment, providers had to give patients a "good faith" estimate of what non-emergency services would cost individuals after insurance.

But the law didn't go into force on Jan. 1 as scheduled. And its troubled odyssey illustrates the political and business forces opposing a common-sense but controversial solution to rein in high health care costs for patients: Let patients see prices.

Many patient advocates say such transparency would be helpful for patients, allowing them to shop around for some services to hold down out-of-pocket costs, as well as adjust their household budgets for upcoming health-related outlays at a time of high-deductible plans.

At the Ohio Statehouse, the law's greatest champion in state government has been Rep. Jim Butler, a Republican and former Navy fighter pilot whose wife is a physician. He authored the legislation and has beat the drum for it since he got the idea in 2013, as he waited for a garage mechanic to repair his car and absorbed the shop's posted rates for brake jobs, oil changes and tune-ups.

Opposition has been formidable, led by the goliath Ohio Hospital Association. It has filed a court injunction that is currently delaying enactment, peppered local news media with editorials, and lobbied Republican Gov. John Kasich, who has eliminated funding that would allow implementation from the latest state budget.

Joining the hospital association in its legal action are a wide range of provider groups including the Ohio State Medical Association, the Ohio Psychological Association, the Ohio Physical Therapy Association, and the Ohio chapters of the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American College of Surgeons, and the American Osteopathic Association.

These groups say that the law, which applies only to elective procedures, is too broad and that forcing providers to create estimates before procedures would slow down patient care.

"The only way to even try to comply with the law is to delay care to patients in order to track down information from insurance companies, who may or may not provide the requested information," wrote Mike Abrams, the president and CEO of the Ohio Hospital Association, in an op-ed in The Columbus Dispatch in January.

But Jerry Friedman, a retired health policy adviser for the Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center, said the opposition doesn't stem from genuine concern about patients but from a desire to keep under wraps the secret rates that providers have negotiated with insurers. Transparency would mean explaining to consumers why the hospital charged them $1,000 for a test, he said, adding that providers "don't want to expose this house of cards they've built between hospital physician industry and the insurance industry."

Said Butler on his quest to see the law enacted: "The health care industry has a lot of political power and lots of money. It's hard to fight on behalf of people against this kind of force."

The law's next test will come this month, when the first court hearing on the association's lawsuit is scheduled. The Kasich administration said it couldn't comment on the law because of the pending litigation.

Greater price transparency has been a popular policy prescription for America's high health costs, especially at a time when many patients have high-deductible insurance plans and face larger copayments. Upfront estimates exist in other countries, such as Australia and, for patients facing out-of-pocket expenses, in France.

In Massachusetts, patients can get an estimate within two days of admission if they ask for it. Nebraska requires hospitals and surgical centers to provide a list of the average charges for services. New Hampshire has a website where consumers can compare costs.

Hospitals and doctors often oppose such measures. The American Hospital Association's position is that health plans — not hospitals — are responsible for telling insured patients about their out-of-pocket costs, according to its website.

The transparency law "was written by someone thinking about health care as a TV, and not as health care," said Sandra Tanenbaum, a professor of health services management and policy at The Ohio State University College of Public Health.

She said people could not shop for procedures as they would for a TV or car repairs, since they often lack information on the quality of doctors and hospitals, and make health care decisions based on much more than cost.

Consumers are more likely to base their decisions on their doctors' advice, not on cost alone, according to a report from the Health Policy Institute of Ohio.

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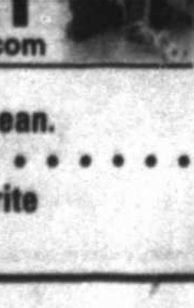

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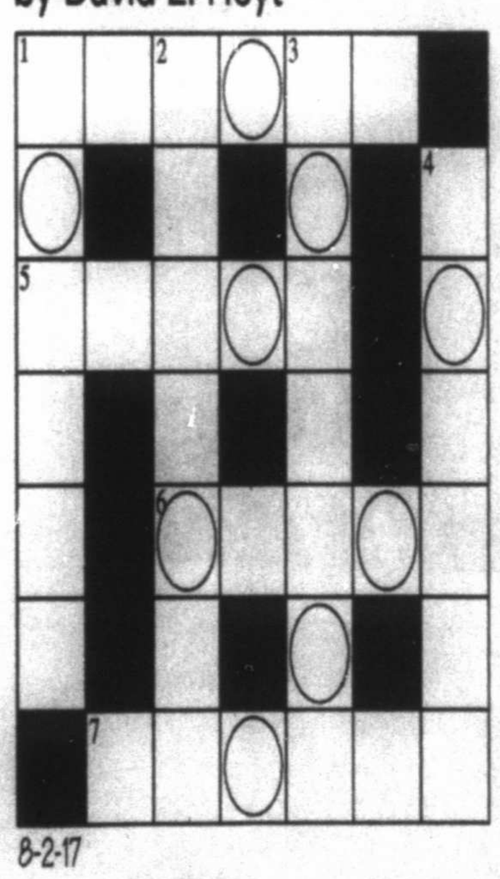

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15 Spitballs, to class clowns
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17 Ineffectual exec
19 "The Addams Family" actor John
20 Itty-bitty
21 A time to dye
23 Final check?
24 Await with trepidation
26 A-list
28 Pioneers
33 Bagel flavor
36 Like overly graphic tabloid stories
37 Padre's hermana
38 Keystone State Ivy
39 Purple shade
40 Prepare to travel
41 Tiny amount
42 Topples (over)
43 Tough spots
44 Self-important sort
47 Multitude
48 Spiteful
51 Logician's word
52 Pago Pago resident
56 Fish often smoked
58 "Live at __": The Who album
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65 Trapshooting
66 Japanese soybean paste
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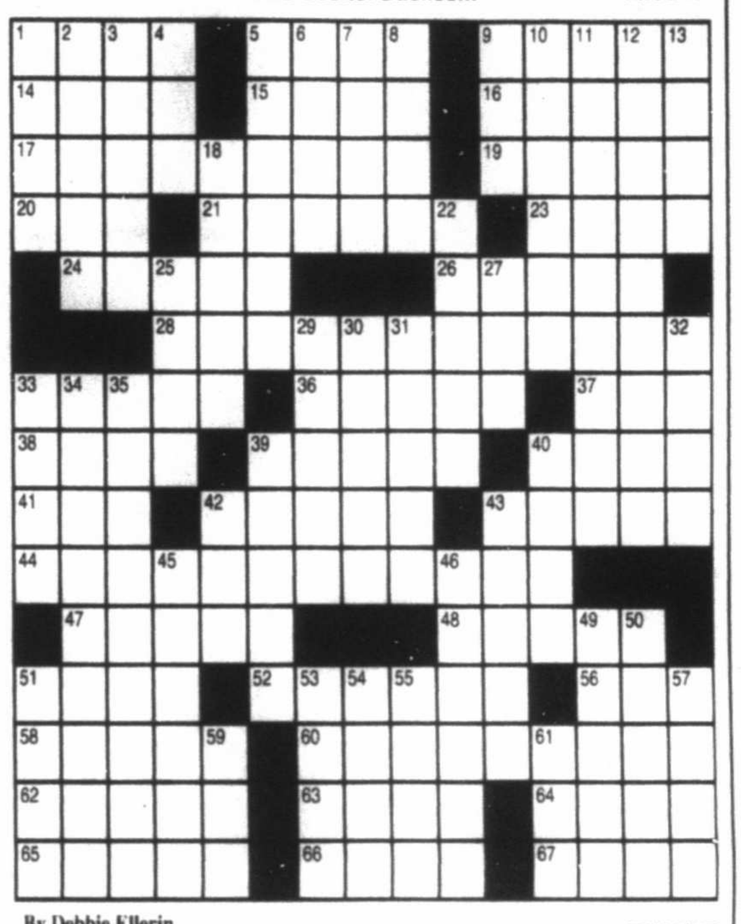

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Barriers to data-sharing prevent advances in cancer treatment

By Jonathan Hirsch and Tom Mikkelsen
Washington Post

■ COMMENTARY

Last week, Sen. John McCain, R-Arizona, announced that he would leave his recuperation from brain surgery and return to Washington for a critical vote to repeal the Affordable Care Act. This dramatic announcement underscores the mettle that McCain's friends and foes noted when the diagnosis of his brain tumor was revealed last month. Surely a man who could survive unfathomable hardships in a POW camp had what it takes to beat cancer.

Unfortunately, McCain is facing long odds. Glioblastoma (GBM), the kind of tumor he has, is an aggressive and deadly cancer. Only 50 percent survive more than a year from diagnosis, and only 5 percent survive five years or more. Just in the realm of politics, and just in recent memory, this type of tumor claimed the lives of Sen. Edward Kennedy and the former vice president Joe Biden's son, Delaware Attorney General Beau Biden.

Thanks to efforts such as the Cancer Genome Atlas, funded by the National Cancer Institute, the scientific community knows more about GBM than just about any other cancer. We have created massive databases of molecular information about GBM patients, allowing us to map the cancer's genomic profile. On top of that, because of the rapid adoption of precision oncology, hospitals and cancer centers are gathering a wealth of real-world data about GBM patients, including how molecular data is tied to treatments and outcomes.

Yet this information remains siloed, with clinical information cordoned off in one system and the molecular information in another.

For us to get closer to a treatment for McCain and the thousands of patients who will come after him, physicians and researchers need to be able to easily share data. We need to tear down the wall between the data so that we can radically reduce the lag between insights and treatment. And for that to happen, those in the lab and at patients' bedsides need McCain's colleagues in government to step up and act right now to remove obstacles to data sharing.

There are two main challenges when it comes to working on a cure for GBM. First, GBM is rare: there are only about 12,000 cases a year in the United States. Compared to a more common cancer such as lung cancer, with 220,000 cases in the United States alone, there are just too few GBM cases to study.

Second, GBM is complex and adaptable: It is not clear what drives GBM to occur, grow and aggressively resist treatments that have worked in so many other cancers. To make matters worse, GBM is lethal even when it does not metastasize outside of the central nervous system.

With too few cases and an ever-changing foe, advances in treating GBM will come not from a traditional clinical trial but from the aggregation of data — including genomic, clinical, treatment, imaging and outcomes data — from real-life care across the country and beyond.

Recognizing this, a group of oncologists, neuroscientists, other researchers and patient advocates from around the word started GBM AGILE, an effort to share the data and knowledge about GBM and how to treat it. We know that gathering this real-world data and giving researchers and doctors access to it is the key to progress in treating GBM. Yet here in the United States, there are needless regulatory barriers to making this happen.

Of course, protecting patient data and privacy is an important concern in health care, and for the past two decades that has been governed by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996.

Yet HIPAA never anticipated the modern advances in research and data; when it was written, most people still dialed up to access the internet, if they had access at all.

The law is not clear as to what kind of data-sharing is permitted in routine clinical study. With this ambiguity, we have found time and again that hospital system attorneys counsel their doctors not to share aggregated data or risk a huge fine. The result is a culture of fear in which hospital systems err on the side of not sharing data rather than furthering scientific — and clinical — progress.

The Department of Health and Human Services can easily clarify these rules and make it clear that aggregated de-identified patient data — including patients' molecular, imaging, treatment and outcomes information — can be shared between health care providers. Moreover, HHS should emphasize that molecular data about a patient's tumor is part of the patient record, just like any other test result. Thus it cannot be subject to "data blocking" by health-care organizations such as testing labs, who may want to hoard the information for themselves.

Realistically, these changes most likely would not produce a result that can help McCain. But if the president and his administration want to honor his fight with GBM, they should welcome him back to Washington by immediately removing these barriers to data-sharing and allowing physicians across the world to have the data they need to make progress against this killer.

Jonathan Hirsch is the co-founder of Syapse, a precision oncology company, and the chair of the GBM AGILE Data Committee.

Tom Mikkelsen, is the co-founder of the Hermelin Brain Tumor Center at the Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, director of the Ontario Brain Institute and a member of GBM AGILE.

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■ Learn about your treatment options in language you can understand.

You have the right to participate fully in all your health care decisions. If you don't think you're able to do that, ask a family member, a friend or someone you trust to help you make a decision about what treatment option is best for you.

■ Get emergency care when and where you need it.

You can get emergency care anywhere in the United States. If you have a Medicare Advantage plan, you don't need to get permission from your primary care doctor first. But if you're admitted to the hospital, you or a family member should contact your plan as soon as possible.

■ Request a review of certain decisions about your claims or services.

You can file an appeal if you disagree with a coverage or payment decision by Medicare or your Medicare Advantage plan. Visit medicare.gov/appeals or call 1-800-633-4227 for details. And remember to keep a copy of everything you send to Medicare or your plan.

■ File complaints about the quality of your care.

If you don't speak up, you may not get a resolution to your problem. Complaints about the quality of your care can be directed to the Quality Improvement Organization in Texas. Call 1-844-430-9504. Beneficiaries enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan can also contact their plan.

Know your rights as a Medicare beneficiary and stand up for them. They're designed to protect you and ensure you get the care you require.

Bob Moos is Southwest public affairs officer for the U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

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Dr. Guillen's practice focuses on operative and non-operative treatment of shoulder, elbow, and hand problems. In addition, he is trained in microsurgery and shoulder replacements. Specifically, Dr. Guillen addresses issues ranging from carpal tunnel, trigger finger, cysts and masses in hand, to all upper extremity/finger fractures and injuries, pinched or injured nerves, tendinitis, elbow problems, and shoulder arthritis. Academically, Dr. Guillen has researched and published numerous peer-reviewed articles.

Dr. Guillen will be bringing new techniques to Midland offering endoscopic (less invasive) carpal and cubital tunnel surgery, microsurgery, and treating hand crush, nerve and tendon injuries. He also is trained in complex tendon and nerve reconstruction for permanently damaged nerves and hands that have partial amputations.

Dr. Guillen is a humanitarian who has volunteered his medical knowledge to assist victims of such natural disasters as the earthquakes in Nepal and Nicaragua. His bilingual skills have complemented his humanitarian efforts both in the United States and abroad.

Dr. Guillen is a family man who enjoys spending time with his wife, Alexa, and their son, Grayson. Dr. Guillen cherishes the community feel of Midland, and is overjoyed to be practicing in Texas—a stone's throw from where his father was born and raised.

Dr. Phillip T. Guillen has started seeing patients at West Texas Orthopedics and Midland Memorial Hospital. Schedule an appointment by calling 432.221.2004.

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After Yu: Rangers now going on without ace

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

ARLINGTON — When Yu Darvish arrived in Texas from Japan in 2012, the Texas Rangers were coming off consecutive World Series appearances.

As was expected with his celebrated entrance then, Darvish is now pitching for a World Series contender. Except it's out on the West Coast for the NL West-leading Los Angeles Dodgers and not in Texas, where the ace never won a postseason game and wasn't even part of winning a playoff series.

With a third straight AL West title long out of reach, and the push for one of the American League's two wild-card spots becoming ever more difficult with each loss, the Rangers got three minor league players for the pitcher they spent more than two years scouting and more than $107 million to acquire.

After completing a trade with the Dodgers only minutes before Monday's non-waiver deadline, Rangers general manager Jon Daniels was asked if he felt Darvish was worth it — the time, $56 million in salary and more than $51 million they had to pay his team in Japan.

"I do, on a variety of levels. But ultimately he was outstanding when he was on the field for us. Pitched at a level very, very few pitchers do," Daniels said. "He got hurt and that's the nature of the game. ... But he produced an extremely high level when he was here."

Darvish was 52-39 with a 3.42 ERA in 122 starts for Texas. Coming off Tommy John surgery, he was 6-9 with a 4.01 ERA in 22 starts this year, including 0-5 in his last eight outings.

The Rangers got no immediate help after dealing Darvish, who

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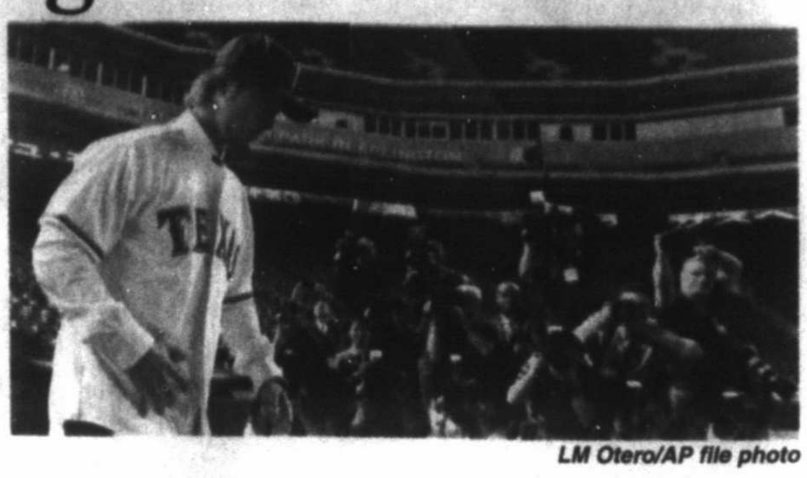
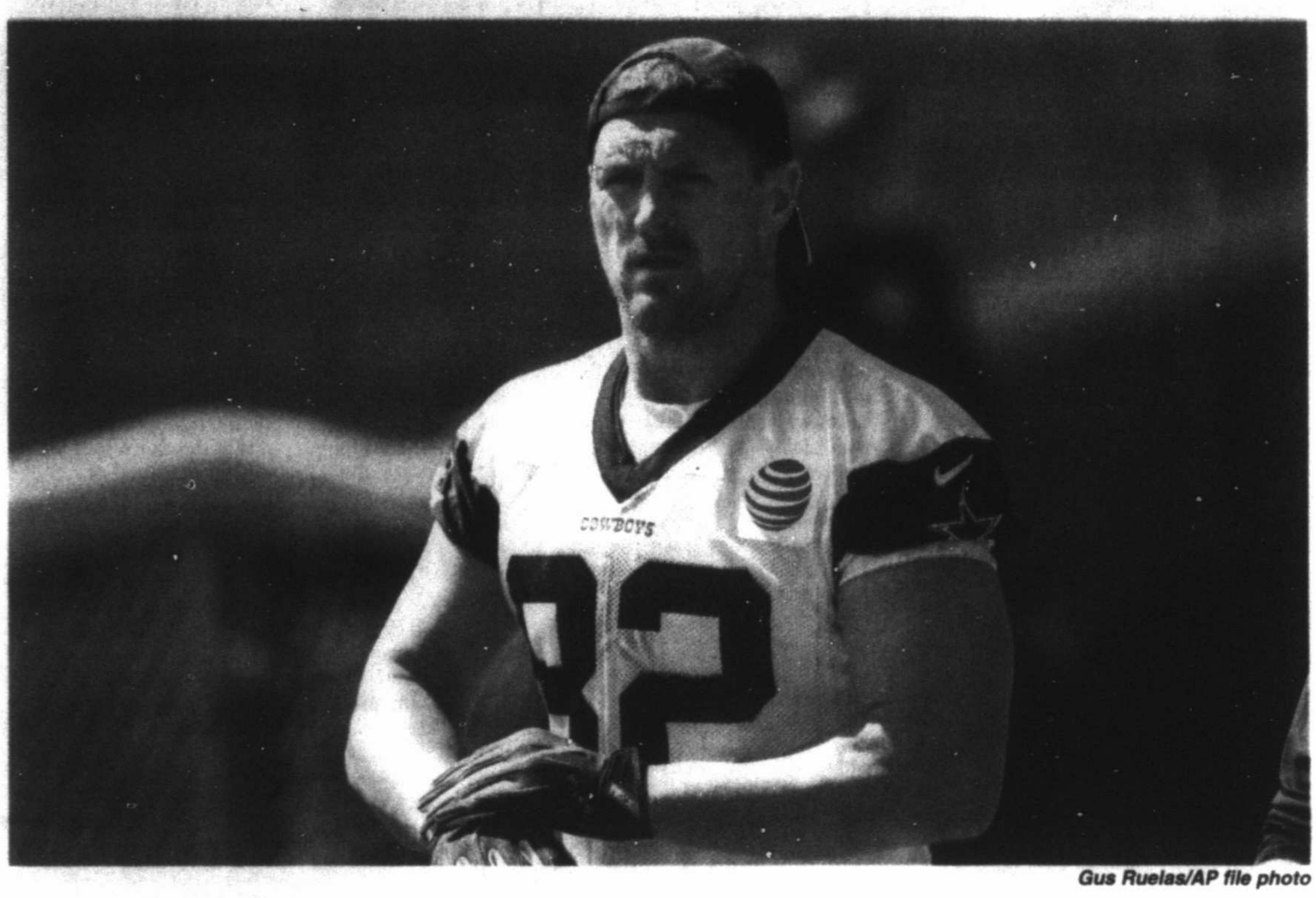


LM Otero/AP file photo

Former Texas Rangers pitcher Yu Darvish walks onto the baseball field as members of the media line up to make pictures after a news conference in this Jan. 20, 2012, file photo, at Rangers Ballpark in Arlington.

Not quite done yet



Gus Ruelas/AP file photo

Dallas Cowboys tight end Jason Witten takes the field during NFL training camp, in this July 25 file photo, in Oxnard, Calif. Jason Witten is in his 15th training camp, and about to head to Canton to watch his boss for all those years, Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones, get inducted into the Hall of Fame. It begs the obvious question: Will his turn come?

Ageless Witten's Hall visit begs question: Will he make it?

By Schuyler Dixon
Associated Press

OXNARD, Calif. — Jason Witten isn't thinking about life after football as he goes through another training camp with the Cowboys, and one of his fellow tight ends hasn't stopped to ponder a Dallas locker room without the 35-year-old on the verge of becoming the franchise leader in games.

None of this keeps Geoff Swaim from smiling in the middle of an answer when he realizes what he is saying about the first time he had a chance to be around one of just four players to reach 15 seasons with the storied Dallas franchise.

"I had been watching Witt since ... since I was in like junior high," said the 23-year-old Swaim, pausing with that sheepish grin, as if he knew he might be in trouble for finishing the thought.

"Watching a guy like that play for such a long time at a high level, it is a little overwhelming when you first get in the room and you're talking football and you're being coached up next to a guy that's been doing it the right way."

Well, at least Witten can consider himself part of the younger crowd Saturday, when he watches his 74-year-old boss — Cowboys owner Jerry Jones — get inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame. After all, Witten will have a pretty strong case for that honor five years after he retires.

"I try not to let that creep in," Witten said. "But I think I'd be lying to say that's not one of the things that you hope as a player. That's the highest honor, individually. Obviously we don't play it for that. But individually, that's what you hope you can be a part of."

Witten will open the season needing two games to become the franchise leader with 225, topping pass rusher Ed "Too Tall" Jones from the 1970s and '80s.

He's already the club leader in consecutive games, starts, consecutive starts and catches — surpassing the likes of Bob Lilly, Lee Roy Jordan and Michael Irvin. Lilly and Irvin are Hall of Famers.

With 11,888 yards receiving, Witten needs just 17 to top Irvin's franchise record and is one of just two tight ends with at least 1,000 catches and 10,000 yards receiving (he has 1,089 catches). Tony Gonzalez, eligible for enshrinement in 2019, is the other.

"I don't think there is any doubt in my mind that he's a Hall of Fame tight end," coach Jason Garrett said. "And he's one of the best tight ends to ever play this game, and certainly the best of his generation in my view and such a complete player."

Witten didn't have any reason to think his career track would be different from quarterback Tony Romo after they joined the Cowboys together in 2003 and became best friends and a prolific pass-catch combination (649, almost twice that of the next receiver on Romo's list).

Please see **WITTEN**/4C

Andersen's US adventure earned Hall of Fame nod

By Brett Martel
Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — Although Morten Andersen grew up with absolutely no notion of kicking an American football, he always had designs on playing sports at an elite level — albeit with his hands.

As he neared the end of high school in his native Denmark, he had an invitation to try out for his country's junior national handball team. Instead, he heeded his parents' wishes that he spend a school year abroad in the United States.

He opted to become a more well-rounded citizen of the world, and serendipitously put himself on a path to becoming one of the best at kicking a not-so-well-rounded ball.

"The safe bet would have been to say, 'I'm just going to stay in Denmark, but I don't think that was ever really in the DNA of our family to play the card that was always comfortable and safe," Andersen said in an interview with The Associated Press. "Little did any of us know what kind of journey was ahead. And that's what's so interesting about life. If your ears and eyes are open to new possibilities and opportunities, they are right in front of you sometimes."

Andersen, who began his NFL career with the New Orleans Saints in 1982, enters the Pro Football Hall of Fame as the leading scorer in NFL history with 2,544 points. He played in a record 382 games during his 25-year career.

He is only the second kicker elected to the hall. Both are Scandinavians who knew virtually nothing about American football when they arrived in the United States, but had been powerful and accurate kickers in their youth soccer days.

The first was Norwegian Jan Stenerud, who came to America after receiving a Nordic skiing scholarship from Montana State, where he was persuaded to give kicking a try. He later starred for Kansas City for 13 years before spending his last six seasons between Green Bay and Minnesota.

Stenerud knew so little about

Please see **ANDERSEN**/4C

Ed Reinke/AP file photo

Atlanta Falcons kicker Morten Andersen (5) and holder Dan Stryzinski (4) celebrate Andersen's 39-yard field goal to give Atlanta a 30-27 overtime win over the Minnesota Vikings in the NFC Championship in in this Jan. 17, 1999, file photo, Minneapolis. Andersen, who began his NFL career with the New Orleans Saints in 1982, enters the Pro Football Hall of Fame as the leading scorer in NFL history with 2,544 points. He played in a record 382 games during his 25-year career.

Bolt says no chance of loss or comeback in farewell

By Eddie Pells
Associated Press

LONDON — An encore for Usain Bolt? Unthinkable.

A loss in his going-away party? Impossible.

Track's fastest man and greatest entertainer made both those points clear Tuesday leading to his final world championships this week. It was an engaging hour filled with reminisces, chats about his plans and thoughts about where his troubled and soon-to-be-starless sport might be headed.

Sporting the goatee he wears during world championships, but not the Olympics, the superstar who went 9 for 9 at the Summer Games, shattering records while dancing and smiling his way through the journey, dispensed any notion he might come back. "For me, the next championships should be fun because now it's time to watch and see who can hold their nerves," said the 11-time world champion, who turns 31 on Aug. 21.

As for the possibility he'd change his mind should he lose in Saturday night's 100-meter final: "It's not going to happen, so we won't have that problem. Don't worry," he said.

He said he's looking forward to a life of motivational speaking, occasional soccer games with friends and maybe dipping his toe into action movies to keep the adrenaline flowing.

As for the past, one of Bolt's most interesting revelations was that his now-famous "To the World" pose, which he debuted after winning his first Olympic gold medal in Beijing, was completely unplanned.

"It's just something that happened," Bolt said. "I guess it was by the grace of God. It became big. For me, it worked."

Almost every celebration since — the moderator said Bolt has taken 147 victory laps over his career — has been pre-planned, drenched in Jamaican flags and reggae music and every bit worth the wait. Among the few impromptu moments came at the last world championships, two years ago in Beijing, when a photographer riding a Segway accidentally upended him during his victory lap.

That man made a videotaped appearance at the news conference and told Bolt: "You inspired me to become more focused in my work."

"It was shocking," said Bolt, who popped right back up after the spill. "I didn't get hurt, so it was funny."

On a more serious note, he was asked how he has prepared for each season as his career has progressed. Like flipping through the calendar, Bolt ticked off his goals and motivations for each year since he burst onto the scene in 2008, a relative unknown

Please see **BOLT**/2C

Frank Augstein/Associated Press

Jamaican athlete Usain Bolt celebrates after a press conference ahead of the World Athletics championships in London, Tuesday. Sprint legend Bolt, a multiple Olympic and World Championship gold medallist, is set to retire after the World Championships in London, which begin on Friday.

'HOUNDSWATCH

TUESDAY'S SCORE
Midland 10, Frisco 1

TODAY'S GAME
Midland at Frisco, 7:05 p.m.

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RECORDS
Midland 18-21
Frisco 16-23

Tuesday	Today	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Midland 10, Frisco 1	Midland at Frisco, 7:05 p.m.	San Antonio at Midland, 7:05 p.m.	San Antonio at Midland, 7 p.m.	San Antonio at Midland, 7:05 p.m.

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FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

Cycling
Tour of Utah, Stage 3: Big Cottonwood Canyon, 1 p.m., FS2
Golf
2017 Ricoh British Open Championship, 1st Round, 5 a.m., GOLF
Hockey
Canada vs. Finland, Noon, NHL
USA vs. Sweden, 3 p.m., NHL
Horse Racing
Saratoga Live: Shine Again Stakes, 3 p.m., FS2
Major League Baseball
Detroit at NY Yankees, Noon, MLB
Minnesota at San Diego, 3 p.m., MLB
Cleveland at Boston, 6 p.m., ESPN, ESPNDEP
Seattle at Texas, 7 p.m., FSSW
Tampa Bay at Houston, 7 p.m., AT&T
Men's Soccer
Audi Cup: Consolation Match, 10:30 a.m., UDN
Friendly: Manchester United vs. Sampdoria, 1:30 p.m., ESPN2, ESPNDEP
Audi Cup: Championship, 1:30 p.m., UDN
Copa Sudamericana: LDU Quito vs. Bolivar, 5 p.m., FXDEP
Copa Sudamericana: Deportes Iquique vs. Independiente, 7:30 p.m., FXDEP
Brazil Serie A: Santos FC vs. CR Flamengo, 7:50 p.m., GolTV
MLS: MLS All-Stars vs. Real Madrid, 8 p.m., FS1, UNIV, UDN
Copa MX: Club America vs. Club Atlas, 8:30 p.m., GALA
Rugby
NRL: Canterbury-Bankstown vs. Parramatta, 4:30 a.m., FSP
Tennis
ATP: Citi Open, 1 p.m., TENNIS
Volleyball
FIVB Women's World Grand Prix: China vs. Brazil, 6:30 a.m., OLYHD
FIVB Women's World Grand Prix: USA vs. Italy, 2 a.m., OLYHD
RADIO
Major League Baseball
Seattle at Texas, 7 p.m., KBEST 95.7 FM (Big Spring), KPET 105.1 FM/690 AM (Lamesa)
Tampa Bay at Houston, 7 p.m., KBYG 106.1 FM/1400 AM (Big Spring)
Pecos League Baseball
Roswell/Trinidad winner at Alpine, 7 p.m., KVLF 1240 AM (Alpine)
Texas League Baseball
Midland at Frisco, 7 p.m., KCRS 97.5 FM/550 AM

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Sent SS Ryan Flaherty to Frederick (Carolina) for a rehab assignment.
CHICAGO WHITE SOX — Placed OF Willy Garcia on the 7-day DL. Selected the contract of INF/OF Nicky Delmonico from Charlotte (IL).
CLEVELAND INDIANS — Recalled LHP Tyler Olson from Columbus (IL). Sent 2B Jason Kipnis to Akron (EL) for a rehab assignment.
KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Sent 3B Cheslor Cuthbert to Omaha (PCL) for a rehab assignment.
LOS ANGELES ANGELS — Sent LHP Andrew Heaney to Salt Lake (PCL) for a rehab assignment.
MINNESOTA TWINS — Traded RHP Brandon Kintzler to Washington for LHP Tyler Watson and international bonus pool allocation money.
TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Reinstated LHP J.P. Howell from the 10-day DL. Selected the contract of LHP Brett Oberholtzer from Buffalo (IL).
National League
ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Transferred SS Nick Ahmed to the 60-day DL.
CHICAGO CUBS — Released LHP Brett Anderson. Optioned RHP Justin Grimm to Iowa (PCL).
COLORADO ROCKIES — Optioned RHP Carlos Estevez and C Tony Wolters to Albuquerque (PCL).
LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Optioned LHP Luis Ysla to Tulsa (TL).
MILWAUKEE BREWERS — Designated OF Kirk Nieuwenhuis for assignment. Assigned RHP Rob Scahill outright to Colorado Springs (PCL).
ST. LOUIS CARDINALS — Optioned OF Harrison Bader to Memphis (PCL).
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS — Sent RHP Mark Melancon to Sacramento (PCL) for a rehab assignment.
SAN DIEGO PADRES — Sent LHP Christian Friedrich to Lake Elsinore (Cal) for a rehab assignment.
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS — Sent RHP Johnny Cueto to San Jose (Cal) for a rehab assignment.
WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Optioned C Pedro Severino to Syracuse (IL). Released 1B Matt Skole. Designated RHP Jimmy Cordero for assignment.
American Association
GARY SOUTHSHORE RAILCATS — Signed RHP Dustin Angel.
LINCOLN SALTDOGS — Sold the contract of RHP Brian McAfee to the Seattle Mariners.
SIOUX CITY EXPLORERS — Sold the contract of RHP Kevin McCanna to the Arizona Diamondbacks. Released RHP Alex White.
ST. PAUL SAINTS — Signed INF JJ Gould. Released C Jack Goihl.
TEXAS AIRHOGS — Released INF Brian Ragira.
WINNIPEG GOLDEYES — Signed LHP Chris Cotton.
Can-Am League
QUEBEC CAPITALES — Released OF Moises Perez.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
CHICAGO BULLS — Signed G Ryan Arcidiacono to a two-way contract.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
CINCINNATI BENGALS — Waived WR Monty Madaris from the PUP list.
DETROIT LIONS — Removed S Don Carey from the PUP list.
HOUSTON TEXANS — Waived/injured WR Deante Gray. Signed S Marcus Gilchrist and WR DeAndrew White.
NEW YORK GIANTS — Signed PK Mike Nugent.
SEATTLE SEAHAWKS — Signed S Kam Chancellor to a three-year contract extension.
WASHINGTON REDSKINS — Promoted Brent Caprio to scouting assistant, Chuck Cook to Midwest college scout, Harrison Ritcher to BLESTO scout and Paul Skansi to West Coast college scout. Named Cole Spencer Southeast college scout and Roger Terry to Midlands college scout.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
BUFFALO SABRES — Named Mike Komisarek player development coach.
NEW YORK RANGERS — Named Joe Mormina assistant coach of Hartford (AHL).
American Hockey League
SAN ANTONIO RAMPAGE — Signed Fs Brendan Ranford and Brady Shaw.
LACROSSE
National Lacrosse League
BUFFALO BANDITS — Traded F Ryan Benesch and a conditional 2018 third-round draft pick to Colorado for F Callum Crawford and G Alex Buque.
COLLEGE
NEW MEXICO — Named Brandon Mason assistant men's basketball coach.
OKLAHOMA STATE — Named Jeff Cottrill softball pitching coach.

WNBA GLANCE

Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
Connecticut	14	9	.609	—
Washington	14	9	.609	—
New York	12	11	.522	2
Atlanta	10	13	.435	4
Chicago	8	16	.333	6½
Indiana	8	16	.333	6½
WESTERN CONFERENCE	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
x-Minnesota	19	2	.905	—
Los Angeles	17	6	.739	3
Phoenix	13	10	.565	7
Dallas	11	14	.440	10
Seattle	10	13	.435	10
San Antonio	4	21	.160	17

Scores and schedule

Tuesday's Games
San Antonio 93, New York 81

Today's Games
No games scheduled

Thursday's Games
Atlanta at Minnesota, 7 p.m.

MLS GLANCE

Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Toronto FC	12	3	7	43	41	22
Chicago	11	5	5	38	40	24
New York City FC	11	7	4	37	40	31
New York	11	8	2	35	32	26
Atlanta United FC	10	7	4	34	41	28
Columbus	10	11	2	32	33	37
Orlando City	8	8	6	30	23	31
New England	7	9	5	26	36	34
Philadelphia	7	10	5	26	29	27
Montreal	6	8	6	24	30	36
D.C. United	5	14	3	18	18	42
WESTERN CONFERENCE	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pts**	**GF**	**GA**
Kansas City	9	4	9	36	28	17
FC Dallas	9	4	7	34	32	23
Houston	9	7	6	33	39	32
Seattle	8	7	7	31	32	31
Portland	8	8	7	31	39	38
Vancouver	9	8	3	30	30	29
San Jose	8	9	5	29	24	34
Real Salt Lake	7	12	4	25	30	44
Los Angeles	6	10	5	23	31	37
Minnesota United	6	12	4	22	29	45
Colorado	6	12	2	20	20	29

NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for tie.

Scores and schedule

Sunday's Score
Toronto FC 4, New York City FC 0
August 5
FC Dallas at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
Toronto FC at D.C. United, 6 p.m.
Orlando City at Montreal, 6:30 p.m.
Seattle at Minnesota United, 7 p.m.
New England at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Houston at Real Salt Lake, 9 p.m.
Vancouver at Colorado, 9 p.m.
Columbus at San Jose, 9:30 p.m.

MLB CALENDAR

Aug. 16-17 — Owners' meetings, Chicago.
Sept. 1 — Active rosters expand to 40 players.
November TBA — Deadline for teams to make qualifying offers to their eligible former players who became free agents, fifth day after World Series.
November TBA — Deadline for free agents to accept qualifying offers, 15th day after World Series.
Dec. 10-14 — Winter meetings, Lake Buena Vista, Fla.
2018
Jan. 12 — Salary arbitration figures exchanged.
Jan. 29-Feb. 16 — Salary arbitration hearings, Phoenix.
March 28 or 29 — Opening day. Active rosters reduced to 25 players.
June TBA — Amateur draft.
June 15 — International amater signing period closes.
July 2 — International amateur signing period opens.
July 6 Last day to sign for amateur draft picks subject to deadline.
July 10 — All-Star Game, Washington, D.C.
July 31 — Last day to trade a player without securing waivers.
Dec. 10-13 — Winter meetings, Las Vegas.

NFL CALENDAR

Aug. 3 — Hall of Fame game.
Aug. 5 — Pro Football Hall of Fame inductions.
Aug. 9-13 — First preseason weekend of games.
Sept. 2 — Cutdown to 53-man roster.
Sept. 3 — Creation of 10-man practice squads allowed.
Sept. 7 — Season opener, Kansas City at New England.
Sept. 10 — First full day of regular-season games.
Sept. 24 — Baltimore vs. Jacksonville at London.
Oct. 1 — New Orleans vs. Miami at London.
Oct. 17-18 — Fall meetings in New York.
Oct. 22 — Arizona vs. Los Angeles Rams at London.
Oct. 29 — Minnesota vs. Cleveland at London.
Oct. 31 — Trade deadline.
Nov. 19 — New England vs. Oakland at Mexico City.
Dec. 31 — Regular season ends.

West Texas facing an officials shortage

From staff reports

Per a release from Ector County ISD on Tuesday, there is a critical shortage of officials at all levels of athletics both in the Permian Basin and across the nation. Due to an increase in the number of teams, games, schools and various other factors, the Permian Basin is in desperate need of officials in nearly every sport. Additionally many longtime officials are beginning to retire, which has created a further strain on those remaining available.

ECISD asks anyone who might be interested in becoming an official to contact one of the leaders of the local official chapters. They and their information are listed below:

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After finishing 2nd, huge 'thank you' due to LA

By Eddie Pells
Associated Press

■ ANALYSIS

One of the beautiful things about the Olympics is that the runners-up get prizes, too.

Which brings us to Los Angeles.

The second choice in its own country to host the 2024 Summer Games took the second-place prize in the international race, too — essentially agreeing to cede 2024 to Paris and accept the consolation prize, which, in this case, is the Olympics four years after that.

A city landing the Olympics used to spark parties in the street. On Monday, the news slowly leaked out of the International Olympic Committee headquarters and from city hall in LA, where it was met with about as much fanfare as a broken-down car being towed off the 405 at rush hour.

This has been a joyless, process-defying, mistake-riddled exercise that will be formalized six weeks from now in Peru, with the winners and losers already long decided.

Hard to really pick on LA, though. Thanking them would be more appropriate.

After the humiliations of Chicago for 2016 and New York for 2012, the U.S. Olympic Committee's rejections of San Francisco and Washington for the current race and the clueless handwringing the USOC went through with its first choice, Boston, the fact that any major U.S. city, let alone one with LA's cachet, was still willing to put itself out there, absorb the cost of the bidding process, and still say 'yes' to 2028 is, well, kind of remarkable.

The LA bidders did the USOC a favor after its board pointedly rejected them, instead choosing Boston, as if the board members, after a year's worth of vetting, were the only ones on earth who didn't know that Boston is known as the city that won't take 'Yes' for an answer.

After Boston bailed, Los Angeles gladly stepped in and played all the games the way the IOC wanted them played: Most of its venues are built, it promises to keep costs down and adhere to IOC president Thomas Bach's vision of less-grandiose, less-expensive, less-bloated Games.

Now, it will take 11 years — instead of the usual seven — to see which promises are kept and which are broken.

That's 11 years for the USOC leaders to send thank-you cards; one of their main missions has been to bring the Summer Olympics back to the United States for the first time since 1996, and they have done that, albeit four years later than planned.

And that's 11 years for Bach to send as many flowers as possible to Los Angeles.

He had to have been embarrassed by the slow dropping out of candidate cities that left the 2024 race with only two bidders: Paris and Los Angeles. Bach decided to change the bidding process and award the next two games this year because, in his words, the status quo produced too many losers — even though, deep down, he may have known the biggest loser under the existing system would've been him.

The 2028 bidding could have come down to Toronto (safe if not scintillating), South Africa (If the problems in second-world Brazil didn't teach the IOC a lesson, what ever will?) and Russia, a country whose doping violations have made it a pariah to much of the Western sports world outside of IOC headquarters in Lausanne.

Not wanting to see that contest take place on his watch, Bach changed the rules.

And Los Angeles — a city that doesn't need the Olympics to be glamorous — which seemed perfectly willing to take any prize that came its way.

In this case, the prize feels a lot like an Olympic silver medal: It gets you on the podium, even if it's not in the exact spot you'd always dreamed of.

PRO RODEO LEADERS

Through July 30
All-around
1. Tuf Cooper, Weatherford $163,025
2. Caleb Smidt, Bellville $124,333
3. Ryle Smith, Oakdale, Calif. $116,840
4. Trevor Brazile, Decatur $107,420
5. Russell Cardoza, Terrebonne, Ore. $96,452
6. Josh Peek, Pueblo, Colo. $94,220
7. Clayton Hass, Weatherford $84,952
8. Dakota Eldridge, Elko, Nev. $83,109
9. Trell Etbauer, Goodwell, Okla. $67,808
10. Marcus Theriot, Poplarville, Miss. $65,203
Bareback Riding
1. Tim O'Connell, Zwingle, Iowa $165,544
2. Tanner Aus, Granite Falls, Minn. $106,683
3. Wyatt Denny, Minden, Nev. $99,760
4. Jake Brown, Cleveland, Texas $85,496
5. Caleb Bennett, Tremonton, Utah $78,963
6. J.R. Vezain, Cowley, Wyo. $78,001
7. Bill Tutor, Huntsville, Texas $77,854
8. Clayton Biglow, Clements, Calif. $77,740
9. R.C. Landingham, Hat Creek, Calif. $76,524
10. Jake Vold, Ponoka, Alberta $69,596
Steer Wrestling
1. Ty Erickson, Helena, Mont. $134,222
2. Tyler Waguespack, Gonzales, La. $94,490
3. Tyler Pearson, Louisville, Miss. $84,858
4. Olin Hannum, Malad, Idaho $77,932
5. Ryle Smith, Oakdale, Calif. $77,589
6. Baylor Roche, Tremonton, Utah $74,617
7. Dakota Eldridge, Elko, Nev. $72,448
8. Scott Guenthner, Provost, Alberta $70,702
9. Nick Guy, Sparta, Wis. $65,079
10. Tanner Milan, Cochrane, Alberta $63,626
Team Roping
1. Kaleb Driggers, Albany, Ga. $107,643
2. Erich Rogers, Round Rock, Ariz. $100,613
3. Luke Brown, Stephenville $82,115
4. Clay Smith, Broken Bow, Okla. $80,310
5. Coleman Proctor, Pryor, Okla. $72,740
6. Cody Snow, Los Olivos, Calif. $70,657
7. Jr. Dees, Aurora, S.D. $69,610
8. Riley Minor, Ellensburg, Wash. $67,308
9. Garrett Rogers, Baker City, Ore. $64,835
10. Levi Simpson, Ponoka, Alberta $61,342
Team Roping (heeler)
1. Junior Nogueira, Presidente Prudente, Brazil $110,343
2. Cory Petska, Marana, Ariz. $100,613
3. Paul Eaves, Lonedell, Mo. $85,299
4. Russell Cardoza, Terrebonne, Ore. $81,497
5. Tyler McKnight, Wells $77,254
6. Jake Long, Coffeyville, Kan. $73,586
7. Billie Jack Saebens, Nowata, Okla. $72,740
8. Wesley Thorp, Throckmorton $71,653
9. Brady Minor, Ellensburg, Wash. $67,308
10. Joseph Harrison, Overbrook, Okla. $65,227
Saddle Bronc Riding
1. Jacobs Crawley, Boerne $144,236
2. Zeke Thurston, Big Valley, Alberta $126,676
3. Cody DeMoss, Heflin, La. $96,580
4. Layton Green, Meeting Creek, Alberta $87,145
5. CoBurn Bradshaw, Beaver, Utah $77,396
6. Jake Wright, Milford, Utah $74,881
7. Hardy Braden, Welch, Okla. $70,917
8. Jesse Wright, Milford, Utah $65,766
9. Taos Muncy, Corona, N.M. $65,222
10. Sterling Crawley, Stephenville $64,734
Tie-down Roping
1. Tuf Cooper, Weatherford $143,959
2. Caleb Smidt, Bellville $113,285
3. Shane Hanchey, Sulphur, La. $94,110
4. Marcos Costa, Childress $89,516
5. Marty Yates, Stephenville $80,194
6. Trevor Brazile, Decatur $76,250
7. Cooper Martin, Alma, Kan. $74,226
8. J.C. Malone, Plain City, Utah $67,160
9. Randall Carlisle, Athens, La. $66,773
10. Tyson Durfey, Weatherford $65,338
Steer Roping
1. Chet Herren, Pawhuska, Okla. $60,524
2. Jason Evans, Glen Rose $59,944
3. Scott Snedecor, Fredericksburg $59,933
4. Vin Fisher Jr., Andrews $57,190
5. John Bland, Turkey $44,268
6. J. Tom Fisher, Andrews $43,932
7. JoJo LeMond, Andrews $37,759
8. Troy Tillard, Douglas, Wyo. $36,615
9. Tony Reina, Wharton $36,611
10. Chris Glover, Keenesburg, Colo. $35,135
Bull Riding
1. Cage Kimzey, Strong City, Okla. $182,290
2. Garrett Smith, Rexburg, Idaho $141,558
3. Ty Wallace, Collbran, Colo. $121,484
4. Joe Frost, Randlett, Utah $94,766
5. Roscoe Jarboe, New Plymouth, Idaho $89,102
6. Tim Bingham, Honeyville, Utah $82,757
7. Cole Melancon, Liberty $79,640
8. Brennon Eldred, Sulphur, Okla. $76,574
9. Trevor Reiste, Linden, Iowa $75,637
10. Jordan Spears, Redding, Calif. $70,592
Barrel Racing
1. Tiany Schuster, Krum $230,659
2. Stevi Hillman, Weatherfords $154,142
3. Kassie Mowry, Dublin $115,201
4. Nellie Miller, Cottonwood, Calif. $112,501
5. Amberleigh Moore, Salem, Ore. $108,744
6. Kathy Grimes, Medical Lake, Wash. $99,805
7. Hailey Kinsel, Cotulla $94,279
8. Taci Bettis, Round Top $74,566
9. Tilar Murray, Fort Worth $73,957
10. Brittany Pozzi Tonozzi, Victoria $72,309

BOLT

From 1C

whose only goal was to become an Olympic champion in his main race, the 200 meters.

Early on, he took umbrage to the slights: for instance, that despite setting four world records, his success in 2008 came because his main challenger, Tyson Gay, was hurt. Or how in 2012, many were favoring teammate Yohan Blake at the Olympics after Bolt lost to him twice earlier in the summer in Jamaica.

As the calendar kept turning and Bolt kept proving himself, his mission became more about trying to secure his place in history. When he swept gold for the third straight Olympics last year in Rio de Janeiro, he reached the legendary status he sought.

"Now that I got to my goal, I'm good with it," he said. "I've proven myself."

He fielded the obligatory questions about doping. Bolt has never been caught. Many in his country, and in the sprint game he dominates, have. The last two years have been filled with sordid stories of doping corruption in Russia that brought track and field to a new low.

"The only place track and field has to go is up," Bolt said. "Hopefully we're going to get it going in the right direction and continue going in the right direction."

His most telling comments — or non-comments — came when he was asked who might fill his shoes after he leaves.

"I'm not going down that road," Bolt said. "The last guy I said was going to be great disrespected me."

It was almost certainly a reference to Andre De Grasse, the Canadian up-and-comer who brazenly pushed Bolt last year in the Olympic 200 meter semifinals.

If there's going to be drama in Saturday's 100 final, De Grasse is the best bet to provide it.

But Bolt doesn't see that as a problem.

"You guys know if I show up at a championship, you know I'm fully confident and ready to go," he said.

He unveiled the gold-and-purple shoes he'll wear for his final championships. The purple is for his school colors back home at William Knibb Memorial High School. The gold is self-explanatory.

His sponsor, Puma, has been promoting the phrase "Fastest Forever," in the lead-up to the worlds, which will take place in the same London stadium where Bolt won Olympic medals 4, 5 and 6.

But Bolt has a different idea.

"Unbeatable," he said. "For me, that would be the biggest headline. Unbeatable. Unstoppable. Hear that guys? Jot it down."

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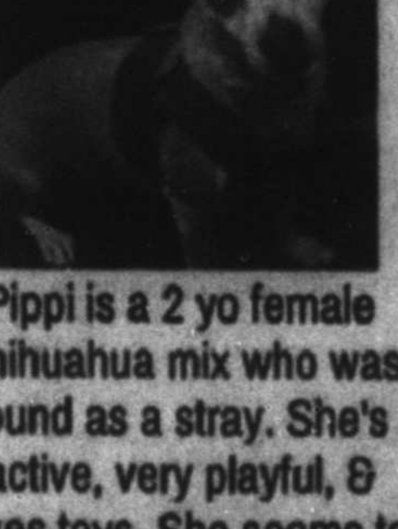
Pippi is a 2 yo female Chihuahua mix who was found as a stray. She's active, very playful, & loves toys. She seems to like other dogs & would probably do well in a home with another dog.

Cano helps push Mariners past Rangers

By Sean Shapiro
Associated Press

Tony Gutierrez/Associated Press

Seattle Mariners' Robinson Cano smiles as he walks to the dugout after scoring on a single by Danny Valencia in the third inning of a baseball game against the Texas Rangers on Tuesday in Arlington.

ARLINGTON— Robinson Cano doubled twice and drove in three runs as the Seattle Mariners beat the Texas Rangers 8-7 on Tuesday night.

Cano's two-run double in the sixth was the 499th of his career, moving him into a time with Rusty Staub for 63rd in MLB history.

Jarrod Dyson had his 200th career steal in the win and threw out a runner from centerfield at third to end the eighth inning in a one-run game. Nelson Cruz homered and Leonys Martin had two hits and two RBIs for Seattle.

Joey Gallo had two homers and four RBIs, and Rougned Odor also went deep for the Rangers, who lost their fourth straight.

Casey Lawrence (1-3) picked up his first MLB win after after entering the game in the fourth inning. Edwin Diaz earned his 21st save after working a 1-2-3 ninth. Nick Martinez (3-4) gave up seven runs and eight hits in 5 1/3 innings. He was recalled from Triple-A to fill the void after Yu Darvish was traded to the Dodgers. Cruz led off the second inning with his 22nd home run to give Seattle an early lead. Martin doubled the lead to 2-0 on an RBI single later in the inning.

Seattle scored three times in the third inning as Cano, Danny Valencia, and Martin all drove in runs to make it 5-0. Dyson set the stage for Cano's RBI double when he stole his 200th career base. Dyson now has a successful steal rate of 85.1 percent, second in MLB history behind Carlos Beltran (86.4 percent) for players with a minimum of 225 attempts.

Odor and Gallo countered in the bottom of the fourth inning. Odor hit a two-run homer, his seventh in his last nine games, and Gallo hit a solo shot 456 feet over the batter's eye in center field.

That ended the night for Erasmo Ramirez, who made his first start since returning to Seattle in a July 28 trade. He allowed five hits and struck out five in 3 1/3 innings.

Longoria hits for cycle as Rays top Astros 6-4

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

HOUSTON (AP) — Evan Longoria became the second Tampa Bay player to hit for the cycle and drove in three runs to lead the Rays over the Houston Astros 6-4 on Tuesday night. He was a double shy when he came to the plate with two outs in the ninth inning and laced a laser to left field. Longoria dashed to second base and slid in to avoid the tag of Jose Altuve. He was initially ruled out, but the call was overturned after a crew chief review. Most of the Rays stood up behind the railing of the dugout and cheered as the call was reversed, and Longoria flashed a big smile knowing that he joined Melvin (then known as B.J.) Upton as the only Rays to achieve the feat.

Logan Morrison hit a solo homer and finished with two RBIs as the Rays bounced back after losing Monday's opener 14-7.

Lucas Duda singled with one out in the first before Longoria launched his towering homer, which banged on train tracks atop left field, off Mike Fiers (7-6) to make it 2-0. Morrison's 27th homer came next to make it 3-0.

Rays starter Chris Archer (8-6) allowed six hits, four runs and struck out five in 6-plus innings to get his first win since July 4 and improve to 5-2 in eight career starts against the Astros. Alex Colome pitched a perfect ninth for his 31st save.

Duda doubled with one out in the third before scoring on Longoria's first triple of the season to push the lead to 4-0. Longoria then scored on a two-out single by Adeiny Hechavarria.

Archer had allowed just one hit when Carlos Beltran sent a 96 mph fastball into the seats in right field with one out in the fifth to cut the lead to 5-1. He retired Evan Gattis before Alex Bregman's solo shot to left field got Houston within 5-2.

Reymin Guduan took over for Fiers with one out and one on in the seventh and allowed consecutive singles to Longoria and Morrison with two outs to send another run home to make it 6-2.

Marwin Gonzalez doubled with no outs in the seventh before an RBI single by Beltran ended Archer's night. Steve Cishek was greeted by a double from Gattis before Beltran scored on a groundout by Bregman to cut the lead to 6-4.

The Astros had runners at first and third after a walk by Derek Fisher with two outs in the inning, but Tommy Hunter took over and retired Altuve to end the threat.

MLB ROUNDUP

American League

ORIOLES 7
ROYALS 2

BALTIMORE — Dylan Bundy allowed three hits over a career-high eight innings, newcomer Tim Beckham had two hits and scored twice and the resurgent Baltimore Orioles beat the Kansas City Royals 7-2 Tuesday night for their fourth straight victory.

Seth Smith drove in three runs to help the Orioles move within two games of .500 (52-54) for the first time since July 3.

Kansas City will seek to avoid a three-game sweep on Wednesday. The Royals came to town having won 10 of 11, but they've only scored three runs in these two games at Camden Yards.

Bundy (10-8) struck out five and walked one. The right-hander had not pitched more than seven innings in any of his previous 34 major league starts.

All three hits Bundy allowed were singles — none after the third inning — and he retired the final 13 batters he faced. The only run he allowed was unearned.

TIGERS 4
YANKEES 3

NEW YORK — John Hicks hit a three-run homer in his first big league game in more than a month, Justin Upton added a solo drive off CC Sabathia, and the Detroit Tigers held on to beat the New York Yankees 4-3 Tuesday night.

A 27-year-old rookie recalled Monday for his fifth major league stint this season, Hicks drove a slider over the right-center field wall in the second inning, capping a 10-pitch at-bat.

Upton made it 4-0 in the third when he hit a full-count slider to left-center for his 18th homer.

Shane Greene, who took over as closer after Monday's trade of Justin Wilson to the Chicago Cubs, walked pinch-hitter Jacoby Ellsbury with two outs in the ninth, and bounced a pickoff throw for an error that allowed Ellsbury to reach third.

Brett Gardner was intentionally walked and stole second, and rookie Clint Frazier popped out.

RED SOX 12
INDIANS 10

BOSTON — Christian Vazquez hit a three-run homer with two outs in the bottom of the ninth inning and the Boston Red Sox pulled off the final rally of a wild game Tuesday night, beating the Cleveland Indians 12-10 despite an astonishing catch by center fielder Austin Jackson.

In the fifth inning, Jackson robbed Hanley Ramirez of a leadoff homer with a leaping grab in the right-center triangle at Fenway Park. Jackson reached way above the wall and tumbled head over heels into the Red Sox bullpen, steadying himself by holding onto the fence with his right arm. Following a soft landing, Jackson stood up and showed umpires he indeed had the ball, to the amazement of players on both sides.

A replay review confirmed Jackson held on for the catch.

Cleveland, which tied it on Fancisco Lindor's leadoff homer in the top of the ninth and added a run on a wild pitch, blew the lead for the third and last time in the bottom of the ninth in a game the Indians led 5-0 after two innings.

BLUE JAYS 8
WHITE SOX 4

CHICAGO — Justin Smoak hit his 31st homer, Josh Donaldson homered and drove in three runs, and the Toronto Blue Jays beat the Chicago White Sox 8-4 on Tuesday night.

Smoak and Donaldson each connected for the second straight night and third time in five games. Donaldson also had a sacrifice fly and RBI double.

Marcus Stroman (10-5) went seven innings, allowing four runs and seven hits. He was winless in his previous three starts despite a 1.89 ERA in that stretch.

Toronto came out on top after dropping three of four and snapped a four-game road losing streak.

Chicago's Kevan Smith hit a two-run homer batting for injured designated hitter Matt Davidson in the sixth. But the White Sox lost for the 18th time in 22 games.

National League

REDS 9
PIRATES 1

PITTSBURGH — Billy Hamilton hit a three-run homer and tripled, Eugenio Suarez and rookie Jesse Winker also went deep, and the Cincinnati Reds overwhelmed the Pittsburgh Pirates 9-1 on Tuesday night.

Hamilton tripled and scored in the first inning. Then he sent a pitch from Jameson Taillon (6-5) into the right-field seats in the second for his third home run of the season as the last-place Reds beat Pittsburgh again.

Cincinnati is 7-1 against the Pirates this season and 36-62 versus everyone else. Homer Bailey (3-5) allowed one run in six innings, striking out three and walking two to snap a three-start losing streak.

Taillon gave up eight runs on 11 hits in 3 2/3 innings and is 1-3 with a 12.18 ERA since the All-Star break.

MARLINS 7
NATIONALS 6

MIAMI — Max Scherzer hit his first career homer to help build a six-run lead, but he pitched only one inning before departing with a neck spasm, and the Miami Marlins rallied to beat the Washington Nationals 7-6 Tuesday.

Scherzer slept funny and left the game as a precaution, the Nationals said.

The Marlins took the lead with a four-run fifth inning. Marcell Ozuna hit a three-run homer off Matt Albers (5-2), and Derek Dietrich's RBI triple put Miami ahead 7-6.

Six pitchers combined to blank Washington over the final 7 2/3 innings. Dustin McGowan (7-1) pitched two scoreless innings during Miami's comeback.

Brad Ziegler, promoted to closer after A.J. Ramos was traded last week, pitched the ninth and worked around a pair of two-out singles for his 86th career save and first this year. Ryan Zimmerman grounded out to end the game.

DODGERS 3
BRAVES 2

ATLANTA — Kenta Maeda allowed only two hits in seven scoreless innings, Cody Bellinger homered and the streaking Los Angeles Dodgers beat the Atlanta Braves 3-2 on Tuesday night for their ninth straight win.

The slumping Braves were shut down by Maeda (10-4) but cut their deficit to one with Johan Camargo's two-run homer off Josh Ravin in the eighth. Atlanta ended the inning with Brandon Phillips, who had a pinch-hit single, on third base.

Bellinger led off the fourth with his 29th homer into the Braves' bullpen in right-center off Lucas Sims (0-1).

Sims and second baseman Ozzie Albies made their major league debuts for Atlanta, which has lost six in a row.

Kenley Jansen struck out the side in the ninth for his 28th save in 29 chances.

BREWERS 3
CARDINALS 2

MILWAUKEE — Jimmy Nelson finally beat St. Louis with six strong innings, and the Milwaukee Brewers held on for a 3-2 victory over the Cardinals on Tuesday night.

Nelson (9-5) entered 0-8 with a 7.01 ERA in 11 appearances (10 starts) against the Cardinals. This time, the right-hander overcame his division rival by allowing just two runs on six hits with seven strikeouts.

The Brewers' bullpen kept the Cardinals off the scoreboard for three innings, including Anthony Swarzak striking out the side in the eighth after Josh Hader issued a leadoff walk. Corey Knebel then earned his 19th save.

The Brewers scored their three runs in the first inning off Cardinals starter Carlos Martinez (7-9) and had just two infield singles the rest of the game.

CUBS 16
DIAMONDBACKS 4

CHICAGO — Jon Lester hit his first major league homer and struck out nine to reach 2,000 for his career, helping the Chicago Cubs pound the Arizona Diamondbacks 16-4 on Tuesday night.

Anthony Rizzo went deep twice and Ian Happ and Javier Baez also connected as Chicago kicked off a six-game homestand with its 14th win in 17 games since the All-Star break. Rizzo, Baez and Albert Almora Jr. each drove in three runs, and Kris Bryant and Willson Contreras had two RBIs apiece.

The NL Central leaders rapped out 17 hits in their highest-scoring game of the season and stayed 2 1/2 games ahead of second-place Milwaukee.

With two outs and Happ on first in the third, Lester drove a 2-2 pitch from Patrick Corbin over the wall in center to make it 8-1. The crowd of 40,709 roared as Lester trotted around the bases and kept cheering until he popped out of the dugout for a curtain call.

ROCKHOUNDS REPORT

ROCKHOUNDS 10, ROUGHRIDERS 1
at Dr Pepper Ballpark, Frisco

TOP HITTERS: Midland's Max Schrock went 2-for-5 with a double, three runs batted in and a run scored, while teammate B.J. Boyd finished 3-for-4 with an RBI and a run. ... J.P. Sportman was 2-for-5 with a pair of runs for the RockHounds. ... Scott Heineman was 1-for-3 with a double to lead Frisco.

TOP PITCHER: RockHounds starter Casey Meisner allowed just three hits over six shutout innings while striking out three for his third win of the year. ... Midland reliever Aaron Kurcz spun two perfect innings in the seventh and eighth.

HIGHLIGHTS: Midland took a 4-0 lead in the top of the third, courtesy of singles by Schrock and Jermaine Curtis, as well as a Tyler Ramirez sacrifice fly and a a passed ball. ... In the fourth, Boyd singled to center to make it 5-0. ... The RockHounds then added two runs in the sixth on a triple by newly imported Jorge Mateo and a wild pitch. ... A double by Schrock and an error made it 10-0 Midland in the seventh. ... Frisco scored on a single in the ninth.

NOTES: The start of Tuesday's game was delayed for 40 minutes by rain. ... Mateo led off and played shortstop for Midland on Tuesday. Mateo was one of the prized prospects acquired by the Oakland Athletics in Monday's trade of ace Sonny Gray to the New York Yankees. Mateo is currently ranked Oakland's No. 5 prospect according to MLB.com. ... RockHounds shortstop Richie Martin was transferred to Single-A Advanced Stockton on Tuesday. ... Curtis extended his on-base streak to 33 games, while teammate Viosergy Rosa extended his on-base streak to 14 games. ... Midland has now won four straight games and has tied Corpus Christi Hooks for second place in the Texas League South second half standings.

TODAY'S PROBABLES: Midland — RHP Dustin Hurlbutt (3-2, 2.41); Frisco — RHP Tyler Davis (2-1, 2.77)

TL standings

Second Half
North Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Springfield	24	14	.632	—
Tulsa	24	14	.632	—
Arkansas	16	21	.432	7½
Northwest Arkansas	14	23	.378	9½

South Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	23	16	.590	—
Corpus Christi	18	21	.462	5
Midland	18	21	.462	5
Frisco	16	23	.421	7

Tuesday's Games
Northwest Arkansas 9, Arkansas 8
San Antonio 7, Corpus Christi 3
Midland 10, Frisco 1
Tulsa 5, Springfield 4

Wednesday's Games
Arkansas at Northwest Arkansas, 7:05 p.m.
Corpus Christi at San Antonio, 7:05 p.m.
Midland at Frisco, 7:05 p.m.
Springfield at Tulsa, 7:05 p.m.

ROCKHOUNDS 10, ROUGHRIDERS 1

Midland	ab	r	h	bi	Frisco	ab	r	h	bi
Mateo ss	5	2	1	1	Kiner-Falefa 3b	3	0	0	0
Boyd cf	4	1	3	1	Ibanez 2b	4	0	1	0
Curtis 1b	5	1	1	1	Tendler rf	4	0	0	0
Rosa dh	4	1	1	0	Bolinger 1b	4	0	2	1
Sportman rf	5	2	2	0	Heineman lf	3	0	1	0
Schrock 2b	5	1	2	3	Trevino c	4	0	0	0
Ramirez lf	4	0	1	1	Profar dh	3	0	1	0
Murphy c	5	1	2	0	Cardona cf	3	0	0	0
Tarsovich 3b	3	1	0	0	De Leon ss	3	0	0	0
Totals	40	10	13	7	Totals	31	1	5	1

Midland ....004 102 300—10
Frisco ....000 000 001—1

E — Ibanez (7), Kiner-Falefa (14). DP — Midland 1, Frisco 2. LOB — Midland 7, Frisco 5. 2B — Schrock (17), Heineman (15), Profar (11). 3B — Mateo (1). SB — Tarsovich (11).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Midland						
Meisner W, 3-3	6.0	3	0	0	0	3
Kurcz	2.0	0	0	0	0	0
Stull	1.0	2	1	1	1	0
Frisco						
Jurado L, 8-9	5.2	9	6	4	1	3
Sadzeck	0.1	1	1	1	1	0
Feigl	1.0	3	3	2	1	0
Palmquist	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
Gardewine	1.0	0	0	0	0	2

HBP — By Jurado (Rosa); by Meisner (Kiner-Falefa).
WP — Meisner, Sadzeck.
T — 2:50 (0:40 delay, rain). A — 3,313.

DARVISH

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he played. Darvish had elbow surgery and missed all of 2015, when Texas made a late push to an AL West title in manager Jeff Banister's first season after the midseason addition of lefty Cole Hamels.

When the Rangers lost Hamels' debut exactly two years ago Tuesday, they were eight games back in the AL West. They were four games back in the wild-card chase, with four teams between them and the second spot.

Hours after the Darvish trade Monday, with its remaining ace Hamels on the mound, Texas led 4-0 after two innings against Seattle's Felix Hernandez. But the Rangers had four errors, two balks and 13 strikeouts in what became a sloppy 6-4 loss that put them 19 games back of the Houston Astros in the AL West.

They were 5 1/2 games out of the second wild card with five teams, including division foes Seattle and the Los Angeles Angels, between them.

"The mindset is still the same. We know where we're at, we know what we're up against," Banister said after the trade. "I relish the fact that some of this is going to go down as well, the Rangers are now not part of the equation. ... That DNA is still there, that want-to and the drive is still there."

Hamels is signed through next season with a club option for 2019, but Darvish — who turns 31 in two weeks — can become a free agent this winter. So can starters Andrew Cashner and Tyson Ross, both on one-year deals. The Rangers also this week traded catcher Jonathan Lucroy to Colorado for a player to be named, and sent reliever Jeremy Jeffress back to Milwaukee for a Double-A pitcher. They were non-waiver deadline additions last summer.

But at that same time this year, Daniels acknowledged that the Rangers were somewhat caught in the middle — not in position to just add a player to "finish off the club" for a pennant chase, but not completely out of the mix for a possible playoff push.

MLB GLANCE

Standings

American League
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	59	49	.546	—
New York	57	48	.543	½
Tampa Bay	55	53	.509	4
Baltimore	52	54	.491	6
Toronto	50	57	.467	8½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	57	48	.543	—
Kansas City	55	50	.524	2
Minnesota	50	53	.485	6
Detroit	48	57	.457	9
Chicago	41	63	.394	15½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	69	37	.651	—
Seattle	55	53	.509	15
Los Angeles	51	55	.481	18
Texas	50	56	.472	19
Oakland	47	59	.443	22

National League
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	63	42	.600	—
Miami	50	55	.476	13
New York	48	56	.462	14½
Atlanta	48	57	.457	15
Philadelphia	39	64	.379	23

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	57	48	.543	—
Milwaukee	56	52	.519	2½
St. Louis	52	54	.491	5½
Pittsburgh	51	55	.481	6½
Cincinnati	43	63	.406	14½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	75	31	.708	—
Colorado	61	46	.570	14½
Arizona	60	46	.566	15
San Diego	47	58	.448	27½
San Francisco	40	67	.374	35½

Tuesday's Scores
Baltimore 7, Kansas City 2
Detroit 4, N.Y. Yankees 3
Boston 12, Cleveland 10
Seattle 8, Texas 7
Tampa Bay 6, Houston 4
Toronto 8, Chicago White Sox 4
San Francisco at Oakland, late
Philadelphia at L.A. Angels, late
Minnesota at San Diego, late

Today's Games
Detroit (Zimmermann 6-8) at N.Y. Yankees (Tanaka 8-9), 12:05 p.m.
Toronto (Happ 3-8) at Chicago White Sox (Holland 5-10), 1:10 p.m.
Minnesota (Santana 11-7) at San Diego (Perdomo 5-5), 2:40 p.m.
Kansas City (Vargas 13-4) at Baltimore (Tillman 1-6), 6:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Bauer 9-8) at Boston (Porcello 4-14), 6:10 p.m.
Seattle (Miranda 7-4) at Texas (Cashner 6-8), 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Pruitt 5-2) at Houston (Keuchel 9-0), 7:10 p.m.
Philadelphia (Thompson 1-0) at L.A. Angels (Ramirez 9-9), 9:07 p.m.
Oakland (Gossett 2-6) at San Francisco (Moore 3-10), 9:15 p.m.

National League

Tuesday's Scores
Cincinnati 9, Pittsburgh 1
Miami 7, Washington 6
L.A. Dodgers 3, Atlanta 2
Milwaukee 3, St. Louis 2
Chicago Cubs 16, Arizona 4
Colorado 5, N.Y. Mets 4
San Francisco at Oakland, late.
Philadelphia at L.A. Angels, late.
Minnesota at San Diego, late p.m.

Today's Games
Minnesota (Santana 11-7) at San Diego (Perdomo 5-5), 2:40 p.m.
Cincinnati (Stephenson 0-4) at Pittsburgh (Williams 4-4), 6:05 p.m.
Washington (TBD) at Miami (Worley 0-2), 6:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Stewart 0-0) at Atlanta (Teheran 7-9), 6:35 p.m.
Arizona (Godley 4-4) at Chicago Cubs (Arrieta 10-7), 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Wainwright 11-5) at Milwaukee (Suter 2-1), 7:10 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Flexen 0-1) at Colorado (Chatwood 6-11), 7:40 p.m.
Philadelphia (Thompson 1-0) at L.A. Angels (Ramirez 9-9), 9:07 p.m.
Oakland (Gossett 2-6) at San Francisco (Moore 3-10), 9:15 p.m.

Texas boxes

MARINERS 8, RANGERS 7

Seattle	ab	r	h	bi	Texas	ab	r	h	bi
Gamel lf	5	0	0	0	Choo dh	4	0	3	0
J.Dyson cf	5	2	2	1	DShelds pr-dh	0	0	0	0
Cano 2b	4	1	2	3	Andrus ss	5	0	1	0
Cruz dh	5	1	2	1	Mazara rf	5	0	1	0
K.Sager 3b	4	1	1	0	Beltre 3b	4	1	0	0
Vlencia 1b	5	1	2	1	Odor 2b	5	3	2	2
Martin rf	5	0	2	2	Napoli 1b	5	1	2	1
Zunino c	3	1	1	0	Gallo lf	3	2	2	4
Espnosa ss	3	1	0	0	Gomez cf	4	0	1	0
Nicholas c	4	0	0	0					
Totals	39	8	12	8	Totals	39	7	12	7

Seattle ....023 003 000—8
Texas ....000 303 100—7

E—N.Martinez (2), Odor (13), Gomez (2), Espinosa (3). LOB—Seattle 8, Texas 8. 2B—Cano 2 (20), K.Seager (28), Zunino (14), Andrus (25). HR—Cruz (22), Odor (24), Gallo 2 (27). SB—J. Dyson (24).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
Ramirez	3 1-3	5	3	2	0	5
Lawrence W,1-3	2 1-3	4	3	3	0	3
Rzepczynski	2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Zych H,9	1-3	1	1	1	0	0
Pazos	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vincent H,18	1 1-3	2	0	0	0	1
Diaz S,21-25	1	0	0	0	0	2
Texas						
Martinez L,3-4	5 1-3	8	7	7	2	0
Barnette	2-3	3	1	1	0	0
Kela	1	0	0	0	0	1
Claudio	1	0	0	0	0	1
Leclerc	1	1	0	0	1	0

T—3:30. A—21,200 (48,114).

RAYS 6, ASTROS 4

Tampa Bay	ab	r	h	bi	Houston	ab	r	h	bi
Dckrson lf	4	1	0	0	Fisher lf	3	0	0	0
Duda 1b	4	2	2	0	Altuve 2b	4	0	0	0
Lngoria 3b	5	2	4	3	Reddick rf	4	0	1	0
Mrrison dh	5	1	2	2	Y.Grrel 1b	4	0	1	0
B.Mller 2b	2	0	0	0	Ma.Gnza ss	4	1	1	0
Hchvrra ss	3	0	1	1	Beltran dh	4	2	2	2
Bourjos cf	4	0	1	0	Gattis c	4	0	1	0
M.Smith rf	4	0	1	0	Bregman 3b	4	1	1	2
Sucre c	4	0	1	0	Mrsnick cf	3	0	0	0
Totals	35	6	12	6	Totals	34	4	7	4

Tampa Bay ....302 000 100—6
Houston ....000 020 200—4

DP—Houston 2. LOB—Tampa Bay 7, Houston 4. 2B—Duda (22), Longoria (27), Ma.Gonzalez (18), Gattis (18). 3B—Longoria (1). HR—Longoria (17), Morrison (27), Beltran (13), Bregman (12). SB—Bourjos (4). S—Hechavarria (2).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Tampa Bay						
Archer W,8-6	6	6	4	4	0	5
Cishek H,7	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Jennings	0	0	0	0	1	0
Hunter	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Colome S,31-36	1	0	0	0	0	0
Houston						
Fiers L,7-6	1-3	8	6	6	3	2
Guduan	2-3	2	0	0	0	0
Gregerson	1	1	0	0	0	3
Giles	1	1	0	0	0	3

T—3:27. A—22,985 (42,060).

Linescores

AMERICAN LEAGUE

ORIOLES 7, ROYALS 2
Kansas City ....001 000001—2 5 0
Baltimore ....200 13010x—7 15 1
Kennedy, Alexander (5), Feliz (7), Buchter (8) and Perez; Bundy, Brach (9) and Castillo. W—Bundy 10-8. L—Kennedy 4-7.

TIGERS 4, YANKEES 3
Detroit ....031 000000—4 9 2
New York ....000 200010—3 8 0
A.Sanchez, Rondon (7), Wilson (8), Stumpf (8), Greene (8) and McCann; Sabathia, Warren (7), Robertson (9) and G.Sanchez. W—A.Sanchez 3-1. L—Sabathia 9-4. Sv—Greene (1). HRs—Detroit, Upton, Hicks. New York, Gregorius.

RED SOX 12, INDIANS 10
Cleveland ....320 020012—10 13 1
Boston ....050 004003—12 15 0
Carrasco, Olson (2), Otero (4), B.Shaw (6), Miller (6), J.Smith (7), Allen (9) and Gomes; Sale, Boyer (6), M.Barnes (7), Reed (8), Kimbrel (9) and Vazquez. W—Kimbrel 3-0. L—Allen 0-6. HRs—Cleveland, Guyer, Santana, Encarnacion, Lindor. Boston, Vazquez, Moreland.

BLUE JAYS 8, WHITE SOX 4
Toronto ....101 023100—8 13 0
Chicago ....000 202000—4 11 0
Stroman, Tepera (8), Leone (9) and Martin; Pelfrey, Infante (6), Minaya (7), Holmberg (8) and Narvaez. W—Stroman 10-5. L—Pelfrey 3-9. HRs—Toronto, Donaldson, Smoak. Chicago, Smith.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

REDS 9, PIRATES 1
Cincinnati ....141 200001—9 14 0
Pittsburgh ....100 000000—1 7 1
Bailey, Wood (7), Storen (8), Shackelford (9) and Barnhart; Taillon, Schugel (4), LeBlanc (6), Marinez (9) and Cervelli. W—Bailey 3-5. L—Taillon 6-5. HRs—Cincinnati, Hamilton, Suarez, Winker.

MARLINS 7, NATIONALS 6
Washington ....060 000000—6 11 0
Miami ....001 24000x—7 9 0
Scherzer, Grace (2), Solis (4), Albers (5), O.Perez (6), Blanton (7) and Wieters; O'Grady, Ellington (4), McGowan (5), Steckenrider (7), Tazawa (8), Ziegler (9) and Realmuto. W—McGowan 7-1. L—Albers 5-2. Sv—Ziegler (1). HRs—Washington, Kendrick, Scherzer. Miami, Ozuna.

DODGERS 3, BRAVES 2
Los Angeles ....001 110000—3 8 0
Atlanta ....000 000020—2 4 2
Maeda, Ravin (8), Watson (8), Jansen (9) and Grandal; Sims, Johnson (7), Jackson (8), Krol (8), Ramirez (9) and Flowers. W—Maeda 10-4. L—Sims 0-1. Sv—Jansen (28). HRs—Los Angeles, Bellinger. Atlanta, Camargo.

BREWERS 3, CARDINALS 2
St. Louis ....000 110000—2 7 0
Milwaukee ....300 00000x—3 5 0
Martinez, Brebbia (6), Lyons (7), Bowman (8) and Molina; Nelson, Barnes (7), Hader (8), Swarzak (8), Knebel (9) and Pina. W—Nelson 9-5. L—Martinez 7-9. Sv—Knebel (19).

CUBS 16, DIAMONDBACKS 4
Arizona ....001 020001— 4 8 3
Chicago ....242 00710x— 16 17 1
Corbin, McFarland (4), J.De La Rosa (6), R.De La Rosa (7), Descalso (8) and Mathis; Lester, Rondon (5), Duensing (6), Montgomery (7) and Contreras. W—Rondon 3-1. L—Corbin 8-10. Sv—Montgomery (3). HRs—Chicago, Lester,

Brady has top spot on NFLPA top 50 player sales list

Associated Press

NEW YORK — NFL training camps have been open for less than a week and Tom Brady is already on top of the league once again.

The Patriots' superstar quarterback ranks No. 1 in merchandise sales in a list compiled by the NFL players union.

The list is based on total sales of all officially licensed NFL player merchandise tracking year-to-date results from March 1 to May 31.

Brady, who won his record fifth Super Bowl in February, was joined at the top of the list by Dallas Cowboys teammates running back Ezekiel Elliott (No. 2) and quarterback Dak Prescott (No. 3). Two more Cowboys were also in the top 10 in wide receiver Dez Bryant (No. 6) and tight end Jason Witten (No. 10).

Colin Kaepernick came in at 39th on the list, the only player in the top 50 who's not on a team.

Kaepernick, the starter in San Francisco's Super Bowl appearance after the 2012 season, made waves in 2016 when he decided to sit and then kneel during the national anthem before games. He played 12 games for the 49ers last year, throwing 16 TD passes against just four interceptions. But he has yet to find a home for the upcoming season.

Raiders running back Marshawn Lynch, who returned to the league after a one-year absence, was at No. 4 and Seahawks quarterback Russell Wilson rounded out the top five.

The rest of the top 10 included Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers (No. 7), Giants wide receiver Odell Beckham Jr. (No. 8), and Steelers wide receiver Antonio Brown (No. 9), who cracked the top 10 for the first time.

"It's really an honor to not only be on this list, but be among the top 10 players," Brown said in a statement.

"Being a part of Steelers Nation means having some of the best fan support in the league. But more than that, this list shows just how passionate fans of all players are."

The top 50 player sales list is released quarterly by the NFLPA, via its licensing and marketing arm NFL Players Inc. It is based on overall sales of all NFL player licensed products via online and traditional retail outlets.

Ryan Clady retires after 9 seasons in NFL

By Arnie Stapleton

Associated Press

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. — Ryan Clady, the talented and towering tackle whose nine-year NFL career was checkered with injuries, is retiring from football.

"I'm excited about what life holds for me going forward," Clady wrote Tuesday on Twitter, where he thanked the Broncos and team owner Pat Bowlen for bringing him to an organization where he was "blessed to experience eight great years, four Pro Bowls and a world championship."

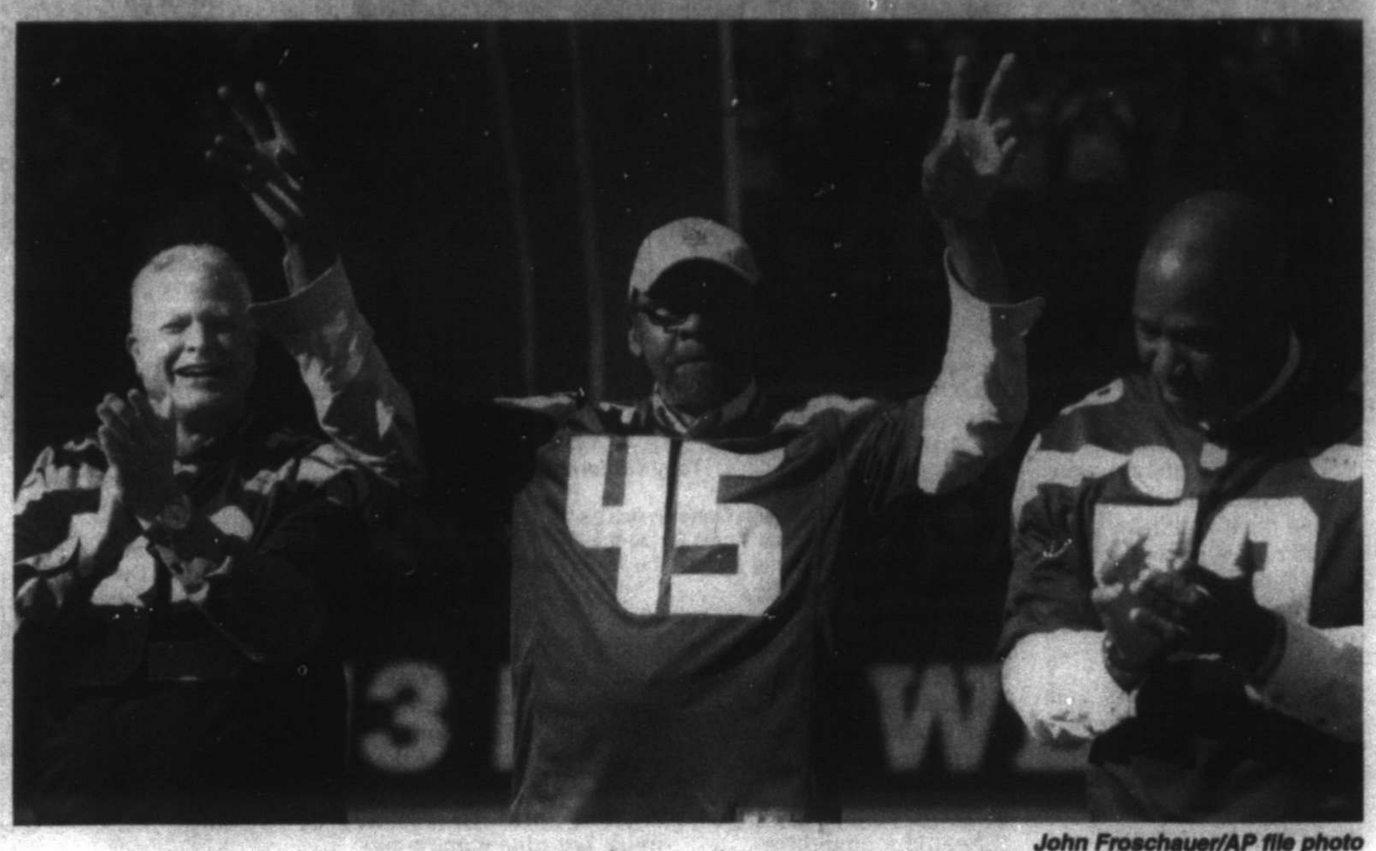
The Broncos selected him 12th overall in the 2008 draft out of Boise State, where Clady made a pivotal block on the Statue of Liberty 2-point conversion play that stunned Oklahoma in the January 2007 Fiesta Bowl. Among a dying breed of plug-and-play tackles in the NFL before colleges turned so heavily to spread offenses, Clady allowed just half a sack in his first 20 NFL games. But injuries slowed him down and the two-time All-Pro missed both of Denver's Super Bowl appearances in recent years, first with a foot injury and then with a knee injury.

He also sustained a knee injury in the offseason early in his career that robbed him of some of his lateral movement for a couple of seasons even though he didn't miss any games.

Hall gets Easley after reconciling with Seahawks

By Tim Booth

Associated Press



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In this Sept. 27, 2015, file photo, former Seattle Seahawk Kenny Easley (45) is recognized during a halftime celebration of the team's 40th anniversary, during an NFL football game against the Chicago Bears in Seattle. The day that Easley reconciled with the Seahawks happened in 2002 and began another lengthy quest that finally landed the hard-hitting All-Pro safety a spot in the Pro Football Hall of Fame. Easley will be the fourth Seattle Seahawks player inducted, going into Canton on Saturday as this year's senior candidate.

SEATTLE — For more than a decade, the Pro Football Hall of Fame wasn't a consideration for Kenny Easley.

He was interested in anything regarding football.

"I didn't watch an NFL football game, college football game, high school football game, for 15 years basically," Easley said. "I didn't watch a football game until the night that I was inducted into the Seahawks Ring of Honor. (That) was the first football game I had watched in 15 years."

The day that Easley reconciled with the Seahawks happened in 2002 and began another lengthy quest that finally landed the hard-hitting All-Pro safety a spot in the Hall of Fame. Easley will be the fourth Seattle Seahawks player inducted, going into Canton on Saturday as this year's senior candidate after never being in serious consideration during his time as a modern-day contender. Easley will join Steve Largent, Walter Jones and Cortez Kennedy.

Thirty years after Easley walked away from football due to health issues that were the source of his disillusionment with the game, he is embracing the recognition he is finally receiving. He even dreamt of the induction the night before he found out he was bound for Canton.

"The dream was so vivid that it was almost like I was already in the Hall of Fame and it was just a formality for the knock to come at the door. ... It's a great honor and that dream just sort of made it feel like it was meant to be," Easley recalled.

Easley's disenchantment from football has many parts. He had an ugly divorce from the Seahawks after the 1987 season, in part because of a kidney ailment that shortened his NFL career. He was traded to the Cardinals and failed his physical. He would never play another down and believes the large doses of painkillers he took as a player led to his kidney issues. Easley believed the Seahawks knew of the kidney condition and didn't disclose it to him.

He also believed his involvement in the players' strike in 1987 helped lead to his departure.

It wasn't until 2002, then with Paul Allen as the owner in Seattle, that Easley began to soften his stance toward the Seahawks and was open to being welcomed back by the franchise. About the time Easley reconciled with the team, a case was starting to be made that Easley deserved consideration for the Hall of Fame. It was pointed out to Easley that he was the only defensive player on the NFL's All-Decade Team of the 1980s not inducted into Canton. He was the 1984 Defensive Player of the Year and an All-Pro three times. He picked up strong support from influential voices, perhaps none stronger than Hall of Famer Ronnie Lott.

"Ronnie Lott has been talking about Kenny Easley going into the Hall of Fame since the day I retired," Easley said. "He kept the drum beat going, and the remarkable thing about that is he didn't have to. He was in the Hall of Fame, had a brilliant career and he didn't have to say anything about Kenny Easley. Every time somebody would ask him or he had an opportunity to say it, he would say that Kenny Easley needed to be in the Hall of Fame. Ronnie Lott is one of the most remarkable human beings that I've ever associated with."

It was a relationship based out of respect and admiration. Lott and Easley rarely played against each other in the NFL; Easley was retired by the time Lott joined the Raiders and became a twice-yearly opponent of the Seahawks, then in the AFC West. But they had a mutual appreciation for the way each played dating back to college when Lott was a star at USC and Easley was a standout across Los Angeles at UCLA.

"Going back to my freshman year, whether it was on TV in college or whether it was on TV in pros, I loved watching Kenny play," Lott said. "I just loved the way he played the game. I loved his enthusiasm for the game. I loved his character of when he made a mistake. ... It was more than watching Kenny just make hits. It was more than just watching him go out and making a tackle. What I've watched was the emotion and the behaviors of Kenny and the intellect of Kenny."

Along with the kidney problems that shortened his NFL career, Easley had heart surgery last year just before finding out he was the senior committee nominee. That latest health scare made receiving the news in Houston at the Super Bowl that he was entering the Hall of Fame even more special .

"I have a lot of admiration for his pursuit of life and his resolve of not surrendering to anything," Lott said. "I know that he's gone through a lot to be able to stand on that stage. A lot. Way more than I ever thought about going through. And so yeah, I can't wait."

Jets' rookie Adams: 'die on field' comments simply about passion

By Dennis Waszak Jr.

Associated Press

FLORHAM PARK, N.J. — Jamal Adams meant no disrespect to players and families dealing with the effects of concussions. He simply loves football. The New York Jets rookie safety drew sharp criticism from some fans, media and former and current players when he said Monday that if he had the choice, the field would be the "perfect place to die." In light of the backlash, Adams tried to clarify his comments Tuesday after practice. "Honestly, I really didn't see it getting that far," Adams said. "I was speaking about being passionate about the game that I love. I understand that some families were affected by this disease and I definitely didn't mean it in any type of way." During a question-and-answer session that included NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell at the team's facility, one of the approximately 150 Jets season-ticket holders asked the panel, which also included running back Matt Forte, about player health and safety. Adams, who never mentioned concussions or chronic traumatic encephalopathy, spoke about how much he and others enjoy the game.

"Literally, if I had a perfect place to die," Adams said, "I would die on the field . I would be at peace. Literally. That's not a lie."

The comment drew applause from many in the crowd, a curious response considering the strong focus in recent years by the NFL on concussions and injuries.

"I can't control what other people, how they viewed it," Adams said of the cheers he received. "All I can do is give my point."

Adams, a first-round draft pick from LSU, said during the forum that he wasn't so fond of the NFL rules that often protect offensive players. But he added that he understands why they're in place, and then talked about his passion for the sport before then making his critical comments. Some former and current players took to social media to question Adams' choice of words.

"I hope all these young cats that are willing to die for the game of football find a higher purpose in life," Green Bay tight end Martellus Bennett wrote on Twitter .

"Here's an idea. Instead of "DYING" valiantly for football" take some of the earnings, create your own business (and) "LIVE" comfortably," former NFL running back Thomas Jones tweeted .

Adams' comments came with the news relatively fresh that Boston University and VA researchers reported in the Journal of the American Medical Association last week that they found signs of the disease in nearly 90 percent of 200 brains examined, including 110 of 111 from NFL players .

"My comments were simply for passion, nothing else," Adams reiterated Tuesday. "Not one time did I say anything about CTE or say anything negative. I respect it. I understand what the outcome of it is and I know there's families that are affected, but at the same time, everything's about passion, what I said."

Adams spoke to his father, former running back George Adams, and Jets coach Todd Bowles about his comments. The 21-year-old safety preferred to leave his conversation with his father private, but said Bowles told him that "you've got to clear it up."

"He understood what I said and it's all about passion, but I could see where it affected some families and some people," Adams said. "But again, it's all about passion and love of the game."

WITTEN

From 1C

But Romo injured his back in the preseason last year, and Dak Prescott took his job for good on his way to NFC Offensive Rookie of the Year honors while leading Dallas to the top seed in the NFC at 13-3.

Witten embraced the change before his sixth loss in eight playoff games — to Green Bay at home in the divisional round, a defeat that caused him to pause briefly early in the offseason to make sure he wanted to keep playing.

He didn't pause long, and he chuckles at the idea of "last man standing." Romo and offensive lineman Doug Free retired in the offseason, as did DeMarcus Ware in Denver three years after the Cowboys cut their franchise sacks leader in a salary cap move.

"I think this year I was probably forced to reflect for the first time, three good friends in DeMarcus and Doug and of course Tony retiring," said Witten, who in March signed a four-year extension that goes through 2021 but in reality is more of a year-to-year contract.

"And as I was reflecting, I was overwhelmed with joy knowing that this game provided relationships like that. In saying that, I'm also excited about the new bonds I've been able to form and grow with that."

Swaim, who has a good chance to be Witten's backup this year and possibly even his replacement when that time comes, is on that list.

"I'm definitely in the room with a Hall of Famer," said Swaim, a seventh-round pick two years ago. "I don't know of many people that would argue that. It's pretty easy that he's a first-ballot Hall of Famer. That's not really a question."

The topic is bound to come up this weekend.

ANDERSEN

From 1C

football when he arrived in the 1960s that, after being persuaded to try out in college, he asked if he was allowed to kick with the side of his foot. In the few games he'd seen, he'd noticed kickers tended to approach the ball straight on.

But while Stenerud helped revolutionize kicking in American football, Andersen's all-around athleticism, competitiveness, calm under pressure and eagerness to embrace cutting-edge training techniques helped him to the NFL's longest and most productive kicking career.

"I always felt Morten was going to be the next kicker in the Hall of Fame," Stenerud said. "You can't survive in the league by accident. Not only did he have to fight off competition (from other kickers) for 25 years, but he did it at a high level. Every year they try to replace you. He had to earn it every year."

Andersen participated in team handball, soccer and gymnastics growing up, and contends his experience in each sport helped his kicking. Because of that, he is "not a fan," of funneling kids into year-round specialization in a particular sport.

His kicking career began at an Indianapolis high school at 17. When first asked if he was interested in trying out, Andersen recalls saying, "Not really," and then, "All right, I'll try it," after a little more prodding.

Less than a year later he was headed to Michigan State on a kicking scholarship.

When selected in the fourth round of the 1982 draft, the first words Andersen remembered then-Saints coach Bum Phillips telling him were: "I hope you like Budweiser and country music."

Andersen says he dishonestly replied, "Yes, sir," when in fact he was more of an "ABBA and merlot" kind of guy.

After a shaky, injury-plagued rookie campaign during the strike-shortened 1982 season, Andersen blossomed in '83, hitting 75 percent of his field goals. He made four straight Pro Bowls (1985-88) and dipped below 71 percent accuracy only once more in his career, in 1989. He viewed that season as a wake-up call that led him to hire New Orleans fitness specialist Mackie Shilstone, along with a sports psychologist, massage therapist and chiropractor.

The left-footed Andersen began kicking with both feet during training to avoid repetitive-motion injuries. He changed his diet and performed exercises designed to improve flexibility and maximize the explosive power in his legs. His sports psychologist helped him set goals in the form of "percentage windows" so he wouldn't become unduly discouraged by isolated misses.

"That really helped me getting rid of unnecessary mental baggage," Andersen said.

Jim Mora, who coached the Saints from 1986-96, said he always admired Andersen's intangibles and competitiveness.

"Kickers can make 60 yarders during warm-up when there's nobody watching and nothing matters," Mora said. "Morten was the best when the game was on the line.

"You don't appreciate how important a good kicker is until you don't have one, and you can ask any coach. He's so deserving of this."

Mora was part of a Saints decision in 1995 to cut Andersen, believing they could re-sign him at a pay cut — a decision Mora now calls a "horrible" mistake.

Andersen sounds as if he still harbors some resentment over his sense that the Saints treated him as being past his prime.

"I played at a high level for another 13 years," Andersen noted. "Not bad for a declining player."

Andersen went to rival Atlanta, hitting a kick to clinch the Falcons' first Super Bowl berth at the end of the 1998 season. He also spent a season with the New York Giants and a couple with Kansas City.

"I was probably done," Andersen said. "I had a great year in '07, so it was a really good stopping point."

Next stop: Canton.

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BROADCAST	KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Goldberg	Speech-less	Modern Family	Am.Ho-usewife	Modern Family	Goldberg	Local 2 News (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) News Nightline
	KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	CBS 7 News (N)	Ent. Tonight	Big Brother (N)		Salvation "The Human Strain" (N)		Salvation "Keeping the Faith" (N)		CBS 7 News (N)	(:35) The Late Show	(:35) J.Corden
	KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	A. Griffith	A. Griffith	Mama's Family	ALF	Hogan's Heroes	Hogan's Heroes	Carol Burnett	P. Mason "The Case of the Drowning Duck"	Twilight Zone
	KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	MasterChef "Holy Cannoli" (N)		The F Word "Episode Nine" (N)		Fox 24 News (N)	TMZ	Modern Family	Two and a Half	Hot in Cleveland	Met Your Mother
	KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Shepherd's Heart		Update News	Creation Magazine	Light of the Southwest "Part 1"		Light of the Southwest "Part 2"		Update News	In Touch With Dr. Charles Stanley		The Essentials
	KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	NewsW-est 9 (N)	NewsWest 9 Now	America-Talent "Best of Auditions"		Carmic-hael (N)	Carmich-ael Show	Law & Order: S.V.U. "Conversion"		NewsW-est 9 (N)	(:35) The Tonight Show		(:35) Seth Meyers
	KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour (N)		Ireland's Wild Coast (N)		Ireland's Wild Coast (N)		Nova "Secrets of the Sky Tombs"		Charlie Rose (N)		Newsline	Tavis Smiley
	KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	La rosa de Guadalupe		Jose de Egipto		MLS Fútbol Juego de Estrellas Estrellas MLS vs. Real Madrid Site: Soldier Field – Chicago, Ill. (L)				Noticias Tejas	Noticiero noctu.	Contacto Deportivo	
	KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Last Man	Last Man	SHIELD "Shadows"		Agents of SHIELD				Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Anger M.	Anger M.	Tosh.0	Access H.
PREMIUM	FLIX	340	575		165		(5:15) Shaun of th...		The Ladykillers				(:45) The Alamo ('04, West) Dennis Quaid.				(:05) Zombie Hon...	
	HBO	300	550	14	14		Movie	News (N)	The Accountant ('16, Cri) Ben Affleck.				(:15) Thrones		(:15) Thrones		(:20) The Legend...	
	HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	(4:45) Erin Brocko...		LastWeek	Room 104	Emelie ('15, Hor) Sarah Bolger.				Resident Evil		(:15) What Wo...	
	HBOS	304	552	16	102		(5:15) Watchmen	Malin Akerman.			Bend It Like Beckham				The Conjuring Patrick Wilson.			
	MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(5:05) Three Kings		Hall, Caesar! Josh Brolin.				(:50) My Cousin Vinny Joe Pesci.				(:50) Charlie's Angels	
	MAX2	382	558	18	122		(5:20) The Revenant				Eddie the Eagle				(:50) Any Given Sunday ('99, Spt) Al Pacino.			
	PLEX			96			(5:10) My Stepmo...		Crocodile Dundee II				(:55) My Canadian Bacon John Candy.				Soapdish Sally Field.	
	SHOW	320	565	19	140	25	(5:30) Free State of Jones				Risk (16, Doc) Julian Assange.		(:35) The Whistleblower					Movie
	TMC	336	579	22	155	26	Breach ('07, Susp) Ryan Phillippe.						The Insider ('99, Susp) Russell Crowe, Al Pacino.				(:40) The Hunting Party	
CABLE	A&E	27	58	28	35	47	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars (N)	Storage Wars (N)	Lowe Files "Haunted Boys Reformatory" (N)		(:05) The Lowe Files		(:05) S. Wars	(:35) S. Wars
	AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(5:00) Men in Black				Happy Gilmore Adam Sandler.				National Lampoon's Vacation			National Lampo...
	BET	58	-		40		(4:00) Deliver Us ...		Top Five ('14, Com) Rosario Dawson, Gabrielle Union, Chris Rock.				TBA	Martin	Martin	Martin
	BRAVO	65	76		41		The Real Housewives		Real Housewives (N)		Real Housewives (N)		Odd Mom	Odd Mom	Watch (N)	Real Housewives		H.Wives
	CNBC	46	52		39	72	Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Jay Leno's Garage (N)		Jay Leno's Garage		Jay Leno's Garage	
	CNN	43	50	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		A. Cooper 360		CNN Tonight		A. Cooper 360		A. Cooper 360	
	DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Naked and Afraid		Naked and Afraid (N)		Naked and Afraid (N)		Darkness (N)		Naked and Afraid		Darkness	
	DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Underc.	Bizaard.	StuckMid	Bunk'd	Bizaard.	Andi M.	Underc.	Underc.	Bunk'd	Jessie	StuckMid	Andi M.
	ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	MLB Baseball Cleveland Indians at Boston Red Sox Site: Fenway Park (L)						SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)	
	ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	NFL Live		Drone Racing Lg.		Drone Racing Lg.		30 for 30 "This Magic Moment"				30 for 30	
	FNC	45	48	53	23	55	The Story		TuckerCarlsonTon		The Five		Hannity		TuckerCarlsonTon		The Five	
	FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		Cooks vs. Cons (N)		Cooks vs. Cons		To Be Announced	
	FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	(5:00) Mean Girls				(:05) Matilda ('96, Fam) Mara Wilson.				The 700 Club		13 Going on 30	
	FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	Stars Insider	Pre-game (L)	MLB Baseball Seattle Mariners at Texas Rangers Site: Globe Life Park – Arlington, Texas (L)						Rangers Live (L)	Rangers Insider	Cycling	
	FX	31	56	59	64	69	Furious 7 (2015, Action) Paul Walker, Jason Statham, Vin Diesel.						Snowfall (N)		Snowfall		Strain "One Shot"	
	HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls
	HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Buying and Selling		Property Brothers		Buying & Selling (N)		Hunters	House (N)	Listed Sisters (N)		Buying and Selling	
	HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers (N)		(:05) Amer. Pickers		(:05) Amer. Pickers		(:05) Amer. Pickers	
	LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	Little Women: LA "Reunion: Part Two"		C. Retreat "Trouble in Paradise" (N)		Couples Retreat "Express Yourself" (N)		So Sharp "This Girl is on Fire" (N)		So Sharp "This Girl is on Fire"		LW: LA - C. Retreat "Trouble in Paradise"	
	MSNBC	47	53		49	73	Hardball		All in (N)		Rachel Maddow (N)		The Last Word (N)		The 11th Hour (N)		Rachel Maddow	
	NBCSN	38	43				American Ninja (N)		American Ninja (N)		American Ninja (N)		American Ninja (N)		American Ninja (N)		American Ninja (N)	
	NICK	55	-	39	34	37	H.Danger	Thunder	Thunder	Nicky	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
	SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops
	SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	(5:00) Ozark Sharks		Trailer Park Shark ('17, Sci-Fi) Tara Reid.				Blood Drive (N)				Lake Placid 2 Cloris Leachman.	
	TBS	25	33	44	66	41	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Frontal (N)	Conan		Seinfeld	Conan
	TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(5:00) The Major...				The Big Clock Ray Milland.				Dial M for Murder Grace Kelly.		Alias Nick Beal	
	TELE	20	-	10	20		Caso cerrado (N)		Jenni Rivera: Ma (N)		Sin Senos Sí Hay (N)		Señor de cielos (N)		Al rojo	Titulares	Sin Senos Sí Hay Par	
	TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Daughter "Extreme Quint Makeover"		I Am Jazz "Face Your Demons" (N)		I Am Jazz "Dating in the Light" (N)		(:05) Hair Goddess (N)		(:10) I Am Jazz "Dating in the Light"		(:10) HairGod. "Where Do We Go From Hair?"	
	TNT	24	34	40	26	50	Bones "The Movie in the Making"				Pacific Rim Idris Elba. A former pilot and trainee are paired up to operate a weapon and save the world.				(:45) Battle Los Angeles A retired marine sergeant returns to duty to reclaim Los Angeles from an alien invasion.			
	TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	MASH	M*A*S*H	MASH	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Younger	(:35) Ray	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens
	USA	26	55	42	27	49	Law & Order: S.V.U. "Dissonant Voices"		Law & Order: S.V.U. "Perverted Justice"		Suits "Divide and Conquer" (N)		The Sinner "Part I" (P) (N)		(:55) Law & Order: S.V.U. "Closet"		Suits "Divide and Conquer"	
	WGN	19	85				Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops

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Wife decries kissing cousin's return to family gatherings

DEAR ABBY

Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069. Her column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

DEAR ABBY: When my husband and I were dating, he told me that he'd had a consensual sexual relationship with his cousin, "Irma." He said they were in their early 20s and very immature. They parted ways because they both knew it was wrong, and Irma moved to another state. He told me so one day I wouldn't be blindsided should we ever be married.

Well, we got married, and this cousin has kept her distance until recently. Irma has now started to attend their family events. We live too far away to go, but I dread the day when we do and she's there. Should I act like I don't know what went on before I was in the picture? Nobody in his family knows this ever happened between them.

I have told my husband it makes me very uncomfortable and that it almost seems she attends hoping to run into him. Why else would she? I would be very ashamed of having done this and would continue to keep my distance.

My husband says I have nothing to worry about because Irma means nothing to him. What do I do if I run into this woman at one of these family gatherings? — NOT HAPPY IN THE USA

DEAR NOT HAPPY: I know it may be uncomfortable, but when your paths finally cross, be polite. You don't have to do anything but exchange the basic social amenities, and spend your time socializing with the other relatives.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a middle-aged, single woman. My 76-year-old father lives with me. We get along well, and the arrangement works fine, except for one problem. He never washes his hands after going to the bathroom. To make matters worse, he does most of the cooking, and he often goes right from the bathroom straight into the kitchen.

I know that if I comment on his lack of hygiene, he will get angry and defensive. How do I get him to be sanitary at his age? — HUNGRY NO MORE

DEAR HUNGRY NO MORE: I don't blame you for having lost your appetite. After reading your letter, mine is gone, too.

You say your father lives with you and not the reverse. In your home, you get to make the rules. If this makes your father "defensive and angry," so be it.

There's a reason employees of restaurants are required to wash their hands after using the bathroom. It's to prevent the spread of disease. It may mean watching your father like a hawk, but you will have to enforce this. And if at all possible, do the cooking yourself.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Bob Jones

Backward?

North-South vulnerable, North deals

NORTH
♠ K 10
♡ 10 5 4
◇ A J 10 4
♣ A 9 8 3

WEST
♠ Q 8 6
♡ J 8 7 3
◇ Q 9 8 5
♣ K J

EAST
♠ 7 5 4 2
♡ K Q 9 6 2
◇ 6 3
♣ 6 2

SOUTH
♠ A J 9 3
♡ A
◇ K 7 2
♣ Q 10 7 5 4

The bidding:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
1◇	2♡	Dbl*	4♡
Pass	Pass	5♠	Pass
6♠	All pass		

*Negative, values with no clear bid

Opening lead: Three of ♡

Today's deal is from a world championship ladies competition between teams from Germany and Austria. South was Austria's Terry Weigkricht. East took advantage of the vulnerability and threw in a sporting pre-empt.

Most players, we think, would have bid three clubs first and then doubled later, assuming all the other players made the same bids. Weigkricht chose to do it the other way around, putting her partner on the spot. North had a minimum opener with great cards for slam. She raised bravely to six clubs, probably expecting Weigkricht to have a better club suit.

South won the opening heart lead with her ace perforce and led the queen of clubs. West covered with the king and dummy's ace took the trick. The pedestrian play from this point would be to knock out the jack of clubs and then make some play for the queen of diamonds, perhaps cashing the ace and king of spades first to see if the queen would drop. Weigkricht was no pedestrian! She cashed the king and ace of spades and then ruffed a spade, felling the queen. She crossed back to her hand with a heart ruff and led the jack of spades.

There was nothing West could do. West chose to discard a diamond, but Weigkricht discarded dummy's last heart and put West on play with a trump. West had to yield a ruff-sluff or lead from her queen of diamonds — 12 tricks either way. Well done!

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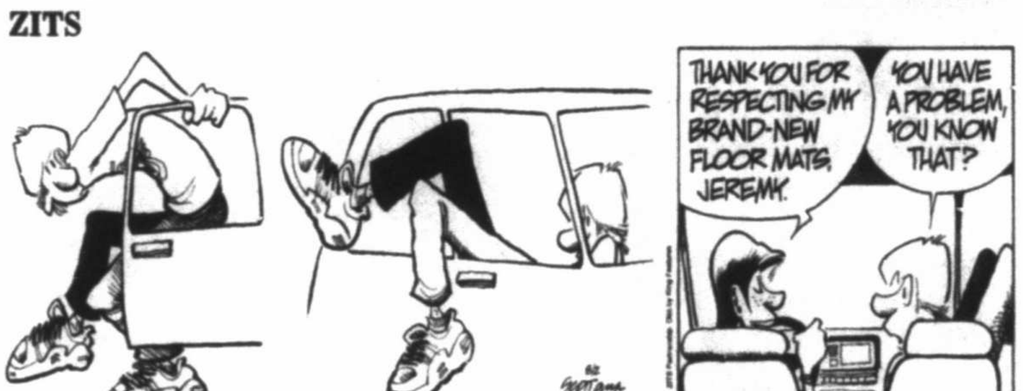
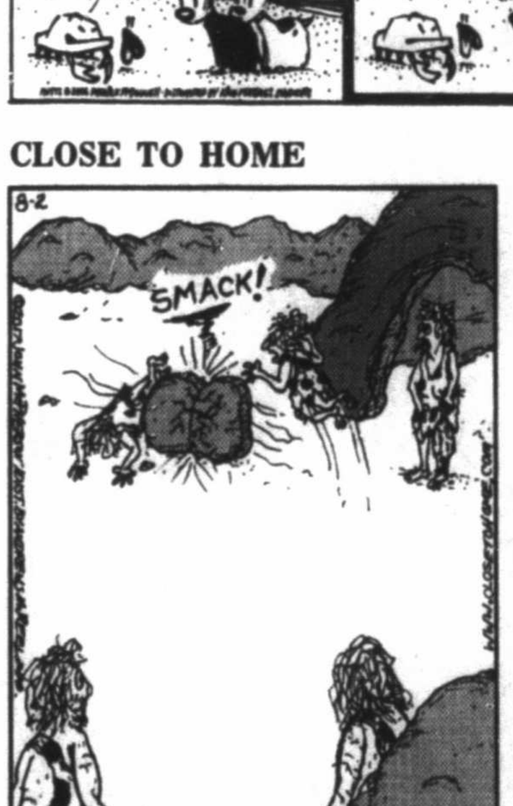


BABY BLUES

MUTTS

CLOSE TO HOME

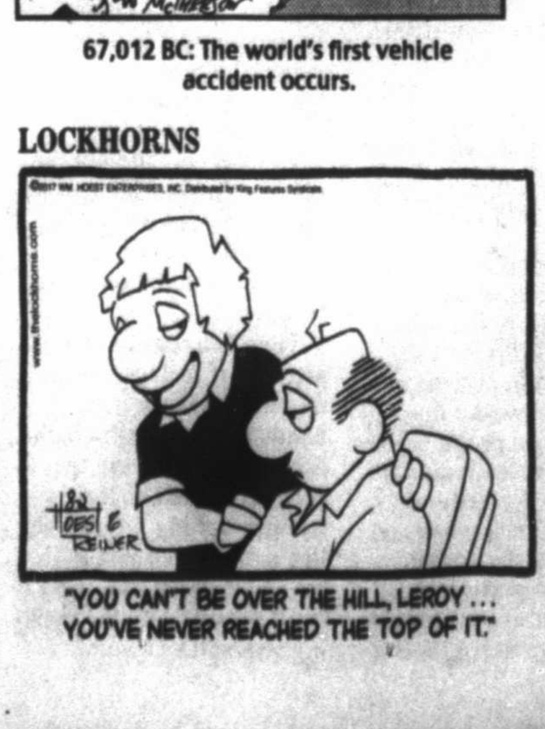


67,012 BC: The world's first vehicle accident occurs.

DENNIS THE MENACE

"I HELPED OUT, TOO. I SWATTED A BIG OL' FLY THAT GOT ON THE ROAST!"

LOCKHORNS



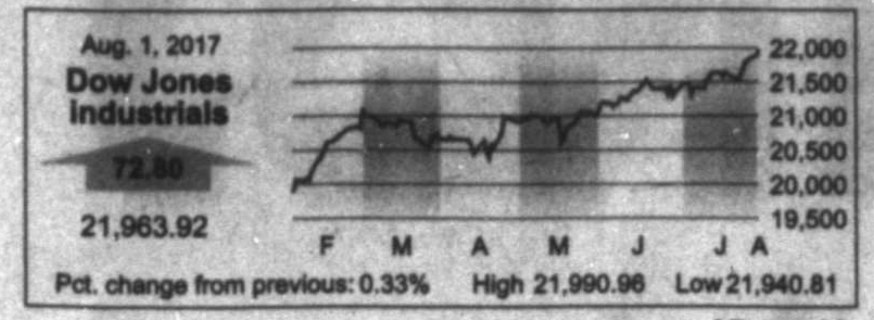
"YOU CAN'T BE OVER THE HILL, LEROY... YOU'VE NEVER REACHED THE TOP OF IT."

FAMILY CIRCUS

"PJ thinks we should have some ice cream."

BUSINESS & OIL

A DAY ON WALL STREET



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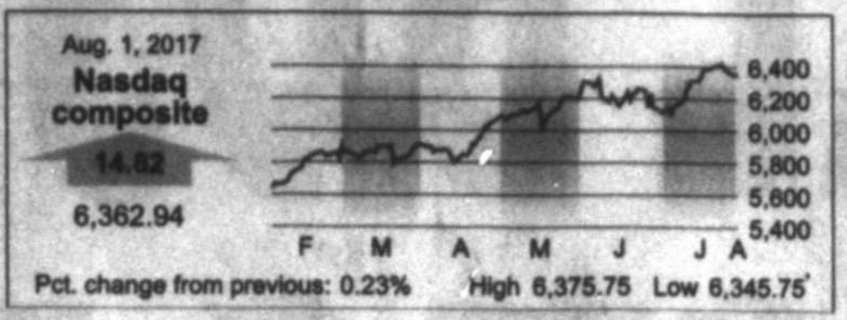

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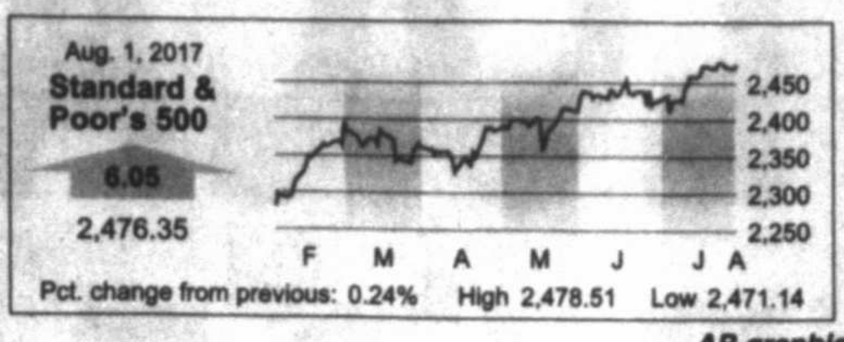

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OIL PRICES

FUTURES

Tuesday:	$49.16
Previous:	$50.17

POSTED

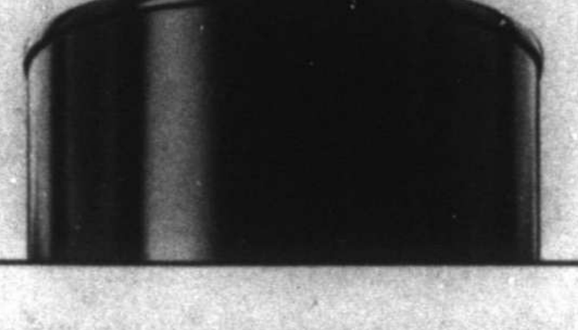
Tuesday:	$45.75
Previous:	$46.50

WEST TEXAS SOUR

Tuesday:	$42.25
Previous:	$43.10

NATURAL GAS

Tuesday:	$2.819
Previous:	$2.794



NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
FordM	635769	10.95	-.27
SPDR Fncl	588251	25.27	+.18
BkofAm	510051	24.45	+.33
Sprint	434618	8.87	+.89
GenElec	412332	25.44	-.17

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Tidwtr	25.00	+24.07	+2588.2
LumberLiq	33.59	+8.88	+35.9
HorizGbl n	17.23	+3.29	+23.6
WestmRs s	3.00	+.54	+22.0

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
SequansC	3.01	-.67	-18.2
PitnyBw	13.31	-2.43	-15.4
TrueBlue	22.20	-3.35	-13.1
Glatfelter	17.96	-2.51	-12.3
Yirendai n	33.59	-4.67	-12.2

DIARY

Advanced	1,726
Declined	1,144
Unchanged	149
Total issues	3,019
New Highs	166
New Lows	29
Volume	3,335,503,696

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
NwGold g	85079	3.56	+.21
22ndCentry	52896	1.90	+.15
B2gold g	34971	2.50	-.02
BarcGSOil	25435	5.17	-.16
iShIndia bt	24792	34.69	+.33

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
VolitionRX	3.26	+.24	+8.0
Ellomay	9.02	+.54	+6.4
NwGold g	3.56	+.21	+6.3
MastechD	9.99	+.55	+5.8
Electrmed	6.45	+.29	+4.7

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Aerocntry	11.65	-1.15	-9.0
Takung n	3.20	-.20	-6.0
Myomo n	9.37	-.58	-5.8
Netw1Tch	4.10	-.20	-4.7
MAG Slv g	13.17	-.61	-4.4

DIARY

Advanced	169
Declined	166
Unchanged	22
Total issues	357
New Highs	24
New Lows	9
Volume	106,532,165

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Intel	372567	36.35	+.88
MicronT	272795	28.34	+.22
SiriusXM	249860	5.79	-.07
Apple Inc	248278	150.05	+1.32
Comcast s	182296	40.34	-.11

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
CmbMtx wt	2.59	+1.34	+107.2
CombMt rs	7.05	+2.10	+42.4
ElctmAc un	10.47	+2.11	+25.2
PulseBio n	23.89	+4.46	+23.0
Colmbus	31.42	+5.62	+21.8

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Precipio n	5.91	-2.29	-27.9
Proteos n	2.25	-.59	-20.8
ShiftPixy n	4.73	-1.01	-17.6
Intevac	9.58	-1.78	-15.6
GeronCp	2.24	-.41	-15.5

DIARY

Advanced	1,510
Declined	1,321
Unchanged	229
Total issues	3,060
New Highs	127
New Lows	75
Volume	1,728,190,946

Summertime blues: July worst month of year for auto sales

Associated Press

DETROIT — July saw the biggest year-over-year decline in U.S. vehicle sales so far this year, leaving automakers to hope that consumers are just waiting to pounce on Labor Day deals.

U.S. sales of new cars and trucks fell 7 percent to 1.4 million in July, according to Autodata Corp. It was the seventh straight month of lower sales and the biggest percentage drop so far this year.

July is often a slower month as buyers vacation and wait for dealers to offer model year clearance events in August and September.

This year, big cuts in sales to rental car fleets and commercial customers were also a factor. Hyundai, for example, cut its fleet sales by 77 percent in July.

General Motors said its sales fell 15 percent in July, while Hyundai's dropped 28 percent. Ford's sales were down 7.5 percent. Fiat Chrysler's sales declined 10 percent. Volkswagen's sales fell 5.8 percent, while Nissan's sales fell 3 percent. Honda's sales were down 1.2 percent.

Two major automakers bucked the trend. Toyota's sales rose 3.6 percent while Subaru's were up 7 percent.

Analysts have been predicting lower U.S. sales this year as demand levels out after an unprecedented seven straight years of growth. U.S. new vehicle sales hit a record 17.55 million last year.

July's pace would put annual sales at 16.7 million. That was lower than expected for Alec Gutierrez, a senior market analyst with the car shopping site Kelley Blue Book. Still, he's maintaining his full-year forecast of 17.1 million sales.

Mark LaNeve, Ford Motor Co.'s U.S. sales chief, said automakers have been preparing for lower U.S. sales this year. He doesn't see July as an acceleration of the downward trend.

He said GM's decision to cut sales to low-profit rental car fleets by 81 percent — or 11,200 vehicles — was a big factor. Ford also cut fleet sales by 26 percent, and had to stop sales of its Transit commercial van for a few weeks while it performed a recall.

"We're still operating at a very high level," LaNeve said. Automakers continue to see healthy profits thanks to consumers' preference for SUVs. Car shopping site Edmunds.com said the average price paid for a new vehicle in July was $34,558, 2 percent higher than the same month a year ago. GM said sales of its recently updated GMC Acadia SUV jumped 30 percent, while sales of Toyota's RAV4 SUV rose 36 percent to 41,804, a monthly record.

But car sales are plummeting, hurt by low gas prices and changing tastes.

Sales of the Ford Fusion midsize sedan dropped 42 percent, while sales of the Chevrolet Spark subcompact fell a whopping 82 percent.

Automakers ramped up deals in July, a

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trend that's expected to continue for the rest of the summer as carmakers make way for 2018 models on their lots. Average interest rates on new-vehicle loans fell to a six-month low of 4.77 percent in July as more brands offered zero-percent financing deals, Edmunds said.

Toyota was offering zero-percent financing for 72 months on a 2017 Toyota Camry sedan as the 2018 Camry arrived in dealerships.

Gutierrez said buyers can expect incentives to creep up by $200 or so per car in August and September.

Automakers said Tuesday:

■ General Motors Co. said sales fell 15.4 percent to 226,107. GM saw double-digit percent declines at GMC, Chevrolet, Cadillac and Buick. Sales of GM's best seller, the Chevrolet Silverado pickup, dropped 15 percent.

■ Toyota Motor Corp.'s sales rose 3.6 percent to 222,057. Toyota and Lexus trucks and SUVs climbed 17 percent but cars struggled. Sales of the Toyota Prius hybrid fell 26 percent.

■ Ford Motor Co.'s sales dropped 7.5 percent to 200,212. Ford's SUV sales were up 2 percent but car sales dropped 19 percent. Sales of Ford's best seller, the F-Series pickup, rose 5.8 percent.

■ Fiat Chrysler's sales fell 10 percent to 161,477. Its Jeep, Chrysler, Dodge and Fiat brands all saw declines, but Alfa Romeo sales were up. Ram truck sales were flat.

■ Honda Motor Co.'s sales slid 1.2 percent to 150,980. In a reverse, sales of the Civic small car rose 11 percent while sales of the CR-V SUV fell 12 percent.

■ Nissan Motor Co.'s sales fell 3.2 percent to 128,295. Sales of Nissan's redesigned Titan pickup truck more than tripled, and Infiniti luxury brand sales were up. But car sales dropped 11 percent.

■ Subaru brand sales gained 6.9 percent to 55,703. Subaru's best-seller, the Outback SUV, was up 20 percent.

■ Hyundai's sales dropped 27.9 percent to 54,063. Sales of its Tucson SUV rose 31 percent, but that couldn't overcome deep cuts to rental fleets.

■ Volkswagen brand sales fell 5.8 percent to 27,091 as dealers sold off older Tiguan SUVs and started getting 2018 models on their lots.

Banks and tech stocks send Dow industrials closer to 22,000

NEW YORK — Banks and technology companies took U.S. stocks higher Tuesday, and less-loved sectors including phone and real estate companies also climbed as companies continued to report strong second-quarter results.

Payment processors also made hefty gains, while Sprint said it gained wireless subscribers and that it's open to combining with a competitor or a cable company. Royal Caribbean Cruises, Xerox and shopping mall operator Simon Property Group all climbed, while athletic apparel maker Under Armour and industrial companies fell after disappointing results. General Motors and Ford slumped on weak July sales reports. "When people are willing to go out and do the proverbial bargain hunting in areas that have not outperformed as much, that shows confidence," he said. "The broader the bull market becomes, the more sectors that participate, the more sustainable it becomes." The Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 6.05 points, or 0.2 percent, to 2,476.35. The Dow Jones industrial average climbed 72.80 points, or 0.3 percent, to 6,362.94.

Metal prices fall

Gold added $6 to $1,279.40 an ounce. Silver lost 2 cents to $16.76 an ounce. Copper dipped 1 cent to $2.88 a pound.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $130.76 Up 0.50

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $3.90 Down 0.11

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $95.35 Down 0.53

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $1.30 Up 0.02

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $5.12 Down 0.10

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $24.70 Down 0.25

ProPetro Holdings (PUMP)
Closing Price $12.85 Down 0.15

RSP Permian (RSPP)
Closing Price $33.99 Down 0.37

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price $13.01 Down 0.05

Viper Energy Partners (VNOM)
Closing Price $17.11 Up 0.11

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AK Steel	...	13	5.39	-.27	-47.2
AT&T Inc	1.96	15	38.88	-.12	-8.6
Abraxas	...	...	1.71	-.07	-33.5
AdaDvsEq	.92e	...	14.81	+.03	+16.5
AMD	...	...	13.71	+.10	+20.9
Alibaba	...	45	154.73	-.22	+76.2
Altria	2.44	22	65.50	+.53	-3.1
Ambev	.06e	6	6.11	+.03	+24.4
Amgen	4.60	15	174.13	-.38	+19.1
Anadarko	.20	...	44.70	-.97	-35.9
Apache	1.00	...	48.66	-.82	-23.3
Apple Inc	2.52f	18	150.05	+1.32	+29.6
ApldMatl	.40	17	44.10	-.21	+36.7
Archrock	.48	...	10.70	-.25	-18.9
ATMOS	1.80	25	87.38	+.62	+17.8
AutoData	2.28	32	116.78	-2.13	+13.6
BP PLC	2.38	54	36.27	+1.13	-3.0
BkofAm	.48f	15	24.45	+.33	+10.6
B iPVxST rs	...	...	11.05	-.18	-56.7
BaringsCp s	1.20	...	15.25	-.04	-1.5
BarrickG	.12	26	17.24	+.33	+7.9
BasicEnS	...	...	.45	...	...
BerkHa A	...	17	264321.00	+1535.01	+8.3
BlkHillsCp	1.78	21	70.09	+.43	+14.3
BrMySq	1.56	22	56.11	-.79	-4.0
BrownFA s	...	30	51.73	+.19	+11.8
BrownFB s	...	...	49.16	-.24	+9.4
CSX	.80	24	48.60	-.74	+35.3
CVS Health	2.00	14	79.70	-.23	+1.0
CallonPet	...	35	11.19	-.13	-27.2
Caterpillar	3.12	29	113.10	-.85	+22.0
Celestic g	...	8	11.87	-.02	+.2
Cemex	.29t	...	9.93	+.22	+28.6
CntryLink	2.16	10	23.36	+.09	-1.8
ChesEng	...	44	4.79	-.17	-31.8
Chevron	4.32	63	110.78	+1.59	-5.9
Chicos	.33	13	9.26	+.11	-35.6
Cimarex	.32	46	98.54	-.49	-27.5
Cisco	1.16	16	31.65	+.20	+4.7
CgpVelLCrd	...	...	15.47	-.98	-44.1
Citigroup	1.28	14	69.60	+1.15	+17.1
CocaCola	1.48	28	45.70	-.14	+10.2
ColgPalm	1.60	24	71.70	-.50	+9.6
Comcast s	.63	23	40.34	-.11	+16.8
ComstkMn	...	...	.20	-.01	-25.1
ConAgra	.85f	19	33.83	-.41	-14.5
ConchoRes	...	...	130.76	+.50	-1.4
ConocoPhil	1.06	36	44.75	-.62	-10.7
CrackerB	4.80f	24	155.90	+.45	-6.6
CSVLgNG rs	...	...	10.86	-.01	-76.5
CrosTim	1.10e	15	15.14	+.06	-15.7
CytRx h	...	...	.82	-.15	+120.4
DCP Mid	3.12	20	34.60	+.57	-9.8
DTE	3.30	22	106.99	-.07	+8.6
Delcath rs	...	...	.09	-.01	-90.5
DevonE	.24	...	32.98	-.33	-27.8
Disney	1.56	19	110.61	+.68	+6.1
DowChm	1.84	21	64.69	+.45	+13.1
DryShips s	...	1	1.76	+.68	-100.0
EOG Rescs	.67	...	94.46	-.68	-6.6
Eaton	2.40	17	74.26	-3.99	+10.7
Energen	.08	...	52.95	-.33	-8.2
EngyTrfPt	2.20	24	21.09	+.40	-12.2
EnPro	.88	52	76.56	-.46	+13.7
ENSCO	.04	2	5.25	-.04	-46.0
EntProdPt	1.68f	21	27.19	-.01	+.6
Ericsson	.11e	...	6.34	-.08	+8.7
ExxonMbl	3.08	30	80.17	+.13	-11.2
Facebook	...	35	169.86	+.61	+47.6
FireEye	...	...	14.69	+.06	+23.4
FordM	.60a	12	10.95	-.27	-9.7
FrptMcM	...	...	14.49	-.13	+9.9
GATX	1.68	11	61.99	+.16	+.7
GabMultT	.94e	...	9.69	+.13	+33.8
GAInv	1.15e	...	35.10	+.03	+12.6
GenElec	.96	24	25.44	-.17	-19.5
GenMotors	1.52	5	34.76	-1.22	-.2
GtPlainEn	1.10	19	30.95	+.09	+13.2
Hallibrtn	.72	...	42.45	+.01	-21.5
HertzGl	...	...	14.49	+.82	-32.8
iShBrazil	1.03e	...	38.12	+.32	+14.3
iShChinaLC	.76e	...	43.03	+.49	+24.0
iShEMkts	.84e	...	43.93	+.13	+25.5
iS Eafe	1.70e	...	67.30	+.37	+16.6
iShiBxHYB	5.09	...	88.63	-.28	+2.4
iShR2K	1.77e	...	141.78	+.27	+5.1
Intel	1.09	16	36.35	+.88	+.2
InterDig	1.20	8	72.20	-.65	-21.0
iShCorEM	1.09e	...	53.05	+.26	+25.0
ItauUnibH	.32e	...	12.28	+.38	+19.6
JPMorgCh	2.24f	14	93.03	+1.23	+7.8
JohnJn	3.36	20	132.51	-.21	+15.0
KimbClk	3.88	20	121.69	-1.47	+6.6
LegacyRes	.60m	...	1.31	+.03	-38.2
Lubys	...	...	2.89	+.02	-32.5
LumberLiq	...	...	33.59	+8.88	+113.4
MGM Rsts	.44	48	32.41	-.52	+12.4
MarathnO	.20	...	11.91	-.32	-31.2
Mattel	.60	26	19.72	-.30	-28.4
McDnlds	3.76	26	154.04	-1.10	+26.6
Merck	1.88	17	63.92	+.04	+8.6
MeritMed	...	53	41.65	+.65	+57.2
MexcoEn	...	...	5.12	-.10	+2.4
MicronT	...	11	28.34	+.22	+29.3
Microsoft	1.56	25	72.58	-.12	+16.8
Mosaic	1.26f	...	22.89	-1.25	-22.0
Nabors	.24	...	7.52	-.19	-54.1
NOilVarco	.20	76	31.88	-.83	-14.9
NokiaCp	.17e	...	6.54	+.15	+36.0
NSTFI3	.55a	...	14.96	+.08	+5.6
NTXQI	.65	...	14.67	+.09	+6.9
Nvidia	.56	52	164.49	+1.98	+54.1
OcciPet	3.08f	...	61.53	-.40	-13.6
PDC Engy	...	...	46.99	-.17	-35.3
Pandora	...	...	8.65	-.30	-33.7
ParTech	...	22	8.96	...	+60.6
ParkDrl	...	...	1.25	+.05	-51.9
PattUTI	.08	...	19.27	-.07	-28.4
PennaRE	.84	8	11.97	+.08	-36.9
Prmian	.63e	25	9.00	-.05	+16.7
Petrobras	...	...	8.74	-.07	-13.6
Pfizer	1.28	14	33.08	-.08	+1.8
PioNtrl	.08	...	163.27	+.17	-9.3
PlainsAAP	2.20	29	26.32	-.05	-18.5
PwShs QQQ	1.52e	...	143.56	+.33	+21.2
Praxair	3.15	23	130.71	+.55	+11.5
PrmEgy	...	...	47.00	...	-13.0
PUVixST rs	...	...	26.96	-.82	...
ProctGam	2.76f	24	91.10	+.28	+8.3
RangeRs	.08	28	20.30	-.81	-40.9
RegionsFn	.36	15	14.69	+.09	+2.3
RiteAid	...	40	2.37	+.13	-71.2
Rowan	.40	5	11.46	-.21	-39.3
RoyDShllA	3.76	86	56.80	+.27	+4.5
SpdrDJIA	3.98e	...	219.37	+.67	+11.1
S&P500ETF	4.13e	...	247.32	+.55	+10.6
SpdrOGEx	.73e	...	32.28	-.24	-22.1
SabnR	2.24e	18	39.40	-.75	+12.1
SabreCorp	.56	19	19.81	-2.32	-20.6
SanderFm	.96	14	132.63	+1.88	+40.7
Schlmbrg	2.00	62	69.01	+.41	-17.8
SiriusXM	.04	39	5.79	-.07	+30.1
Smucker	3.12f	16	120.74	-1.16	-5.7
Snapinc A n	...	...	13.10	-.57	-46.5
SwstnEngy	...	...	5.66	-.04	-47.7
SpiritRltC	.72	10	8.01	+.08	-26.2
Sprint	...	...	8.87	+.89	+5.3
SP CnSt	1.28e	...	55.26	-.06	+6.9
SP Engy	2.04e	...	66.61	-.01	-11.6
SPDR Fncl	.46e	...	25.27	+.18	+8.7
SP Inds	1.12e	...	68.11	-.20	+9.5
SP Util	1.55e	...	53.52	+.30	+10.2
Staples	.48	...	10.18	+.03	+12.5
Starbucks s	1.00	28	54.73	+.75	-1.4
TelefEsp	1.20e	...	11.39	+.11	+23.8
3M Co	4.70	23	203.18	+2.01	+13.8
Torchmark	.60	17	79.12	+.15	+7.3
Transocn	...	8	8.59	-.06	-41.7
TriContl	.98e	...	25.01	-.04	+13.4
TurqHillRs	...	33	3.26	-.03	+.9
21stCFoxA	.36	17	29.23	+.13	+4.2
Twitter	...	...	16.21	+.12	-.6
TylerTech	...	54	172.29	+.48	+20.7
UndrArm s	...	32	18.30	-1.72	-37.0
UnAr C wi	...	...	16.23	-1.88	-35.5
UBSI	1.32	18	34.50	...	-25.4
US NGas	...	...	6.33	+.01	-32.2
US OilFd	...	...	10.09	-.19	-13.9
USSteel	.20	...	22.72	-.77	-31.2
Vale SA	.29e	...	9.89	-.14	+29.8
ValeroE	2.80	22	68.82	-.15	+.7
VanEGold	.12e	...	22.83	-.03	+9.1
VangEmg	1.10e	...	43.19	+.18	+20.7
VangFTSE	1.10e	...	42.75	+.24	+17.0
VerizonCm	2.31	10	48.89	+.49	-8.4
VulcanM	1.00	38	119.20	-3.92	-4.8
WEC Engy	2.08	21	63.11	+.14	+7.6
WalgBoots	1.60f	17	81.13	+.46	-2.0
Weathfintl	...	...	4.52	+.06	-9.4
WellsFargo	1.52	13	54.08	+.14	-1.9
WhitingPet	...	...	5.13	-.12	-57.3
WmsCos	1.20	45	31.72	-.06	+1.9
XcelEngy	1.44f	22	47.57	+.26	+16.9
Xerox rs	.25p	12	32.46	+1.79	+41.1

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52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Chg	Net %Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
21,929.80	17,883.56	Dow Jones Industrials	21,963.92	+72.80	+.33	+11.14	+19.93
9,763.66	7,622.92	Dow Jones Transportation	9,145.75	-37.03	-.40	+1.13	+19.58
738.82	616.19	Dow Jones Utilities	728.85	+2.37	+.33	+10.50	+3.13
11,989.53	10,281.48	NYSE Composite	12,000.04	+32.37	+.27	+8.53	+12.56
6,460.84	5,034.41	Nasdaq Composite	6,362.94	+14.82	+.23	+18.20	+23.85
2,484.04	2,084.59	S&P 500	2,476.35	+6.05	+.24	+10.61	+14.80
1,795.14	1,475.38	S&P Midcap	1,764.62	+3.94	+.22	+6.27	+14.79
25,845.72	21,583.94	Wilshire 5000	25,755.58	+70.39	+.27	+9.95	+15.29
1,452.09	1,156.08	Russell 2000	1,428.33	+3.19	+.22	+5.25	+18.79

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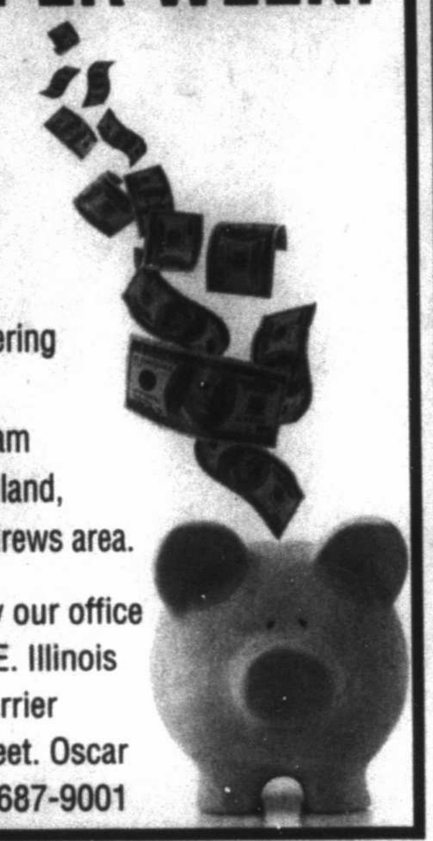

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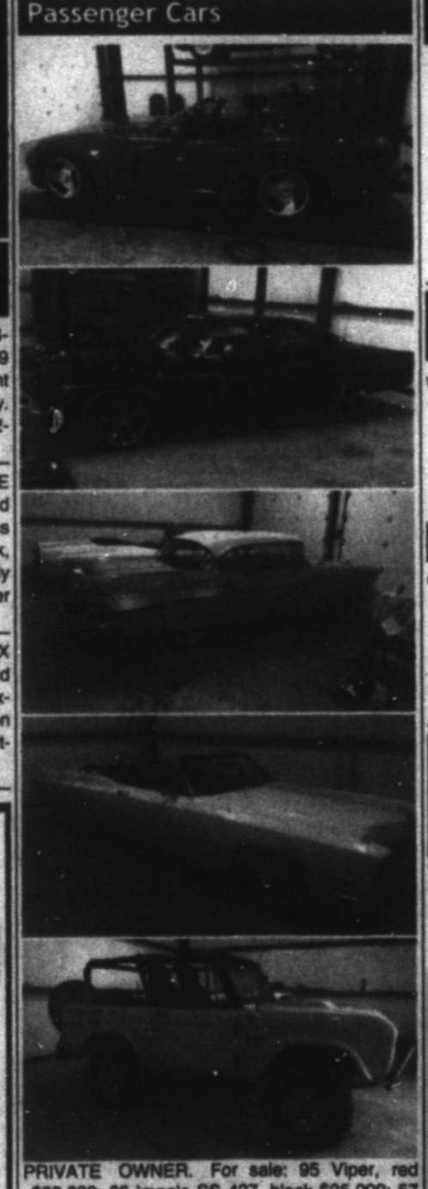

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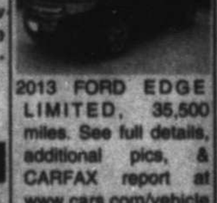

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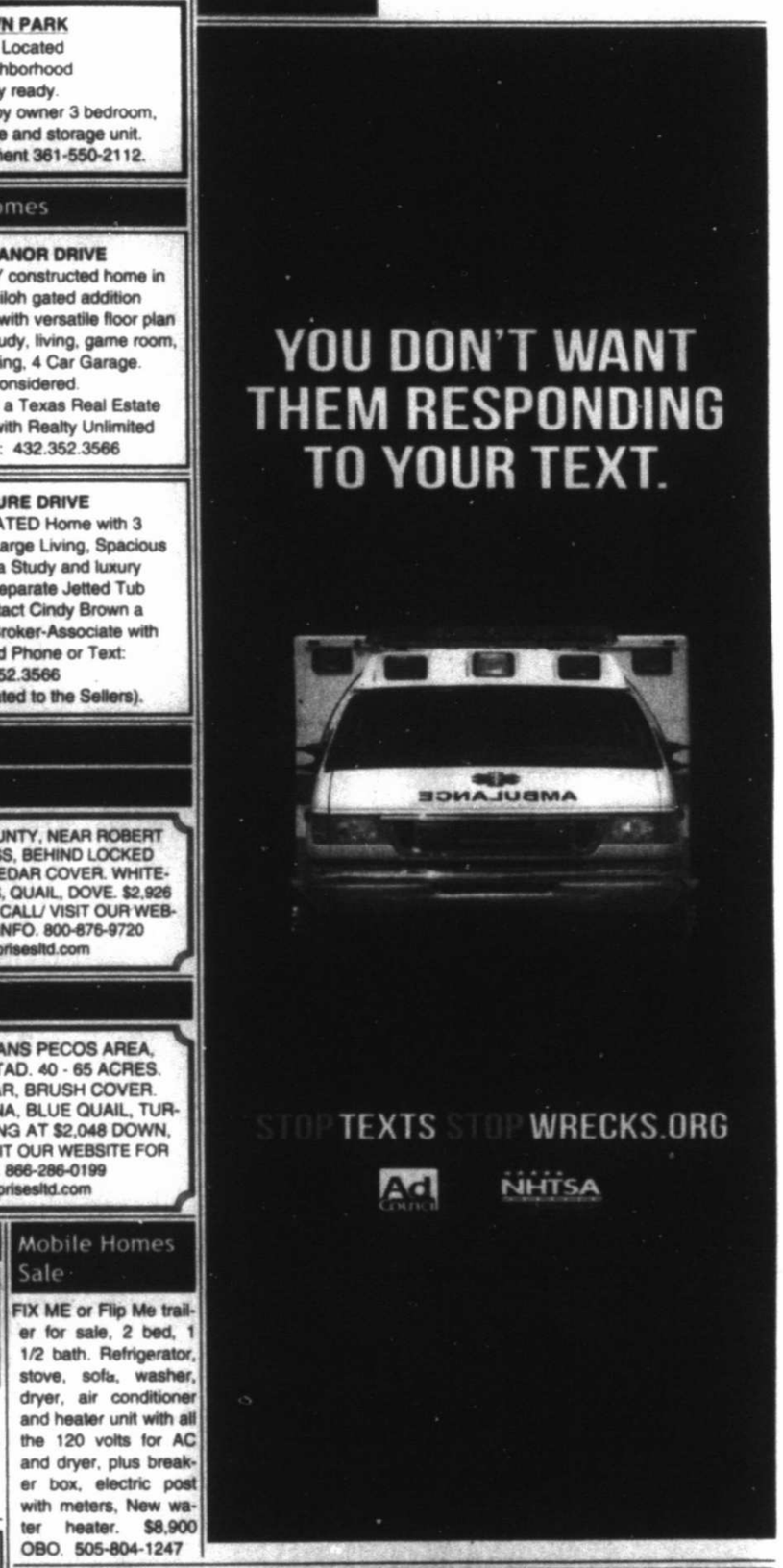

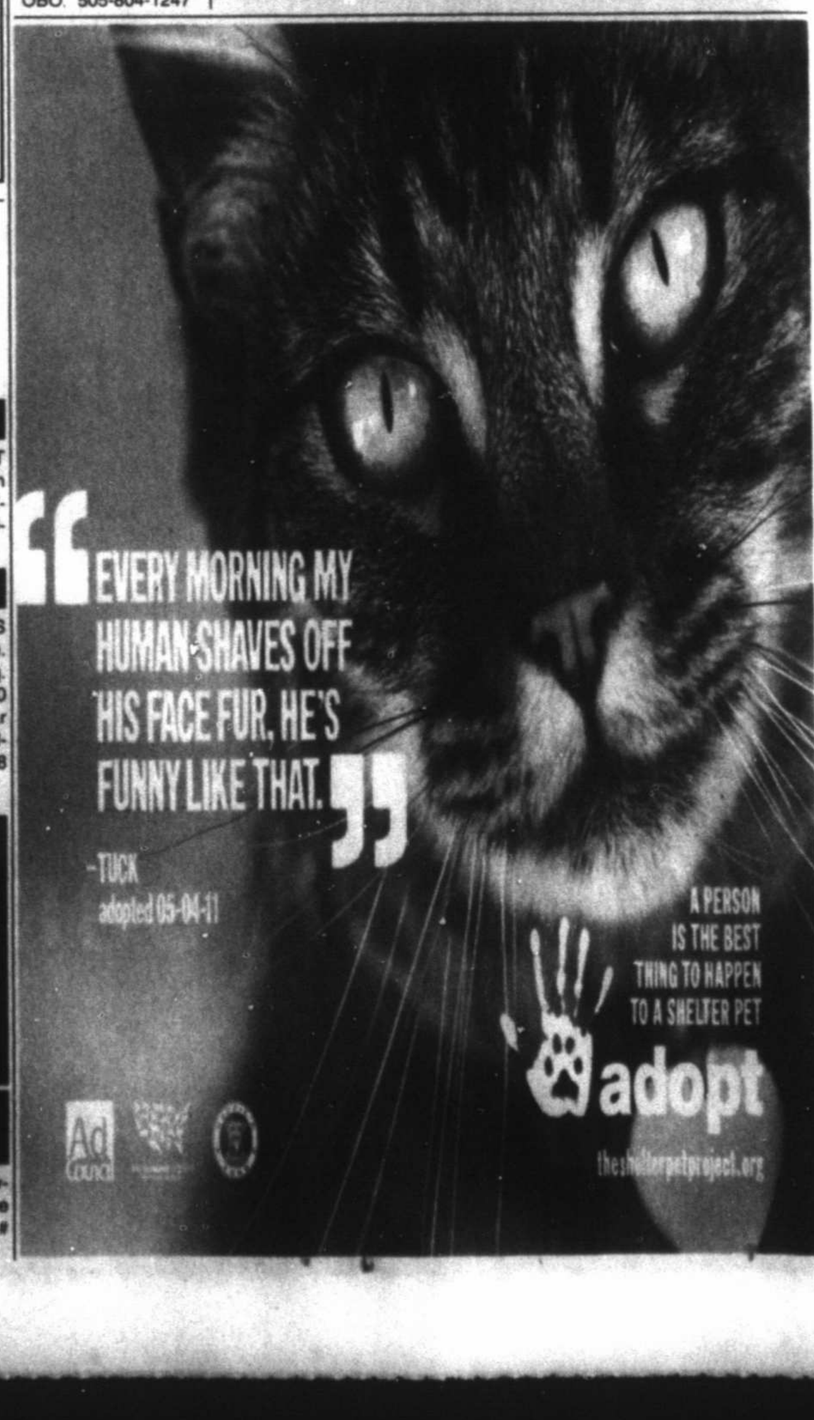

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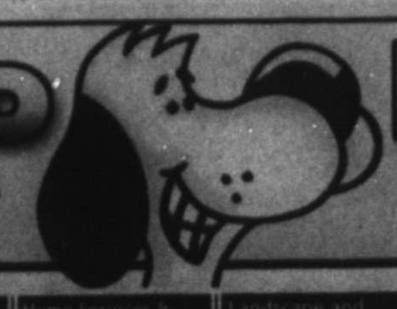

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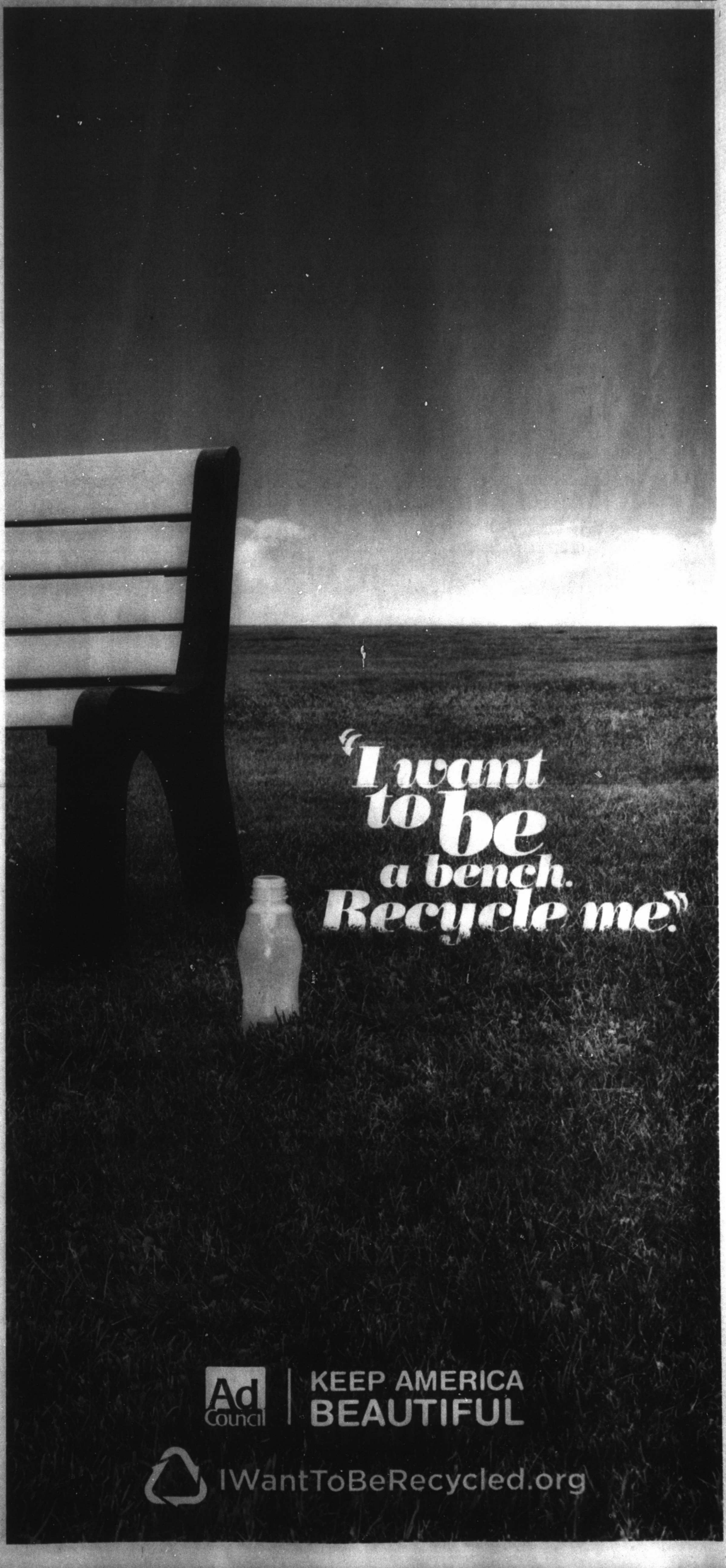
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